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The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 7.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 55°; 8 p. m., 56°; maximum, 64°; minimum, 48°; mean, 56°.

Rainfall for the day, 340 rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 1.59.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 5.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 30 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Fair, westerly winds.

OUTLINES.

Cyrus E. Breder, the defaulting cashier of the First National Bank of Bethlehem Pa., has not committed suicide, as his friends believed. —— Captain General Weyler says he is disposed to finish the rebellion at once in Santa Clara province; the Government has promised reforms, but only upon the triumph of the Spanish arms. —— Jas. J. Corbett's headquarters will probably be established at Walley's Hot Mineral Springs, Nevada; the location of the approaching battle-ground has not been decided upon. —— The steamer Three Friends has been seized by the Government at Jacksonville, Fla., on the charge of piracy. —— Officials of the Navy Department are confident that there is no defect whatever in the battleship Indiana and that her return to port was simply a manifestation of excessive caution on the part of her officers. —— Senate and House—Another instalment of the speech of Senator Thurston designed to prevent the sale of the Union Pacific Railroad; the Nicaragua Canal bill allowed to go over; resolution offered by Mr. Morgan relating to the capture of the Competitor by a Spanish ship of war; the House in Committee of the Whole concluded consideration of the bill making appropriations for the expenses of the District of Columbia. —— Report of yesterday's New York markets: Money on call offered at 2 cent.; cotton steady—middling 7 5 16c; Southern flour dull and unchanged—common to fair extra $3 30@3 65; good to choice $3 75@4 05; wheat—spot dull and firm; No. 2 red free on board 94¾c; corn—spot dull and firm, No. 2 29½c at elevator and 30½c afloat; rosin firm—strained common to good $1 70; spirits turpentine quiet at 28¾@29c.

A great many Western men are prospecting in Florida, and many of them have bought farms. Western men, coming right out of blizzards, seem to take to Florida.

It is said that Secretary Carlisle in retiring from office will leave more money in the Treasury than he found in it. But then Secretary Carlisle borrowed $262,000,000.

The pacification of the provinces around Havana doesn't seem to prevent the rebs from jumping on Weyler's fellows and pummelling them when they venture too far from base.

A Pennsylvania man wants his eloped wife so bad that he offers $30 to the fellow who will bring her back alive. He omitted to say that all would be forgiven and no questions asked.

Judge Goff has a sneaking idea that a position on the U. S. Supreme Court bench would be a softer and more continuous snap than a four years' roost in Mr. McKinley's Cabinet. He's about right.

A contemporary discourses on "Killing Time in Congress." The average Congressman has more time than anything else, and if he did't do anything worse than kill time he ought to be let off easy.

A Tacoma, Washington, man has found an immense deposit of sulphur in the Cascade Mountains, not far from the Northern Pacific Railroad. He is playing mum as to the location until he ropes some syndicate fellows into it.

Sometimes second stories in Maine dwellings are right useful. After a big blizzard in Bangor the other day the snow drifted so high about some of the houses that those who lived in them had to use the second-story windows for doors.

Discount week at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

A ten per cent. week at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

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Editor Larry Godkin, of the New York *Post*, is very much disturbed by the bimetallic utterances of Senators Hoar and Chandler in the Senate. He should be composed. This is nothing but a little side act of these Senators to keep up the delusion that the Republican party is really desirous of doing something for silver.

Out of the 18,000,000 people in Spain there are 8,725,519 persons who have no business but are principally engaged in killing time and picking up something to eat the easiest way they can. That is doubtless the stock from which they recruit the armies for Cuba.

The Raleigh *Caucasian* pronounces "fusion a failure." It looks that way, but then it hasn't been a total failure, for it has shown the make-up of the spoil grabbers who concocted it and run it while there was anything in it for them.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CASH—Paid for beeswax.
A. D. BROWN—Ten days.
S. W. SANDERS—It is lard.
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MCMILLAN BROS.—Turpentine stills.
GEO. O. GAYLORD—From early dawn.
WIL. SAVINGS & TRUST CO.—Sensible plan.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

A. MAVRONICHOLS—Fine cadies.
P. H. HAYDEN—Buggies, harness.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. J. C. Carroll, of Raleigh, was here yesterday.

— Dr. K. J. Powers, of Willard, was on our streets yesterday.

— Mr. M. D. Herring, of Charlotte, was registered here yesterday.

— Mr. W. E. Patterson, of Newbern, was one of yesterday's arrivals.

— Mr. R. W. Hicks returned yesterday from a business trip to Fayetteville.

— Mr. B. T. Powers, of Wallace, was noted among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. Jno. L. Bridgers, of Tarboro, was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

— Messrs. F. T. Hale and J. A. Huske, of Fayetteville, arrived in the city last evening.

— Messrs. F. T. Hale and J. A. Huske, of Fayetteville, were among the welcome visitors in the city yesterday.

—Mr. C. W. Peters, of Charlotte, representing the Southern Newspaper Union, was a caller at the STAR office yesterday.

— Mr. D. H. Harnly, editor of the *Planters' and Truckers' Journal*, published at Chadbourn, spent a short while in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. V. Hardin, of Fayetteville, N. C., and Mr. W. M. Bledsoe, of Wilkesboro, N. C., arrived in the city last night on business.

—Rev. J. B. Harrell, who has been on a visit to Mount Olive for several days, will return to day and fill his appointments as usual, at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m., at Southside Baptist Church.

— Mrs. A. G. Turner, of Ripon, Wis., will spend the balance of the winter with her sister, Mrs. J. A. Cowan, who resides at No. 404 North Front street.

— The following travelling men of this city returned yesterday to spend Sunday at home: Messrs. A. W. Caldwell, B. O. Stone, L. B. Rogers, Hugh Wallace.

— Civil Engineer J. H. McRee, has moved out of his former office on Princess street, and will make his headquarters hereafter in the building on corner of Front and Chesnut.

— Capt. J. V. Harker, of Atkins, S. C., step-son of Mr. Geo. A. Ziegler, is in the city on a visit to friends, accompanied by his wife. He is an esteemed conductor on the A. C. L. and spent several years in this city.

C. W. Polvogt & Co. have a special discount week †

Ten per cent. discount for six days, beginning to-morrow, at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. They want room for new Spring stock. †

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— For other new advertisements see fourth page.

— Madame Amae, the spiritual medium, still has a number of callers every day.

— Register of Deeds Norwood issued marriage licenses to three white and two colored couples the past week.

— The next attraction at the Opera House will be Primrose & West's Minstrels, Wednesday evening, February 17th.

— "Divorce, and the Reason Why," forms the subject of a discourse at one of the colored churches of the city this evening.

— In to-day's issue of the STAR the Navassa Guano Company announces that they will give work to 100 able bodied laborers. See advertisement.

— British schooner *Dove*, Thomas Esdale, master, cleared yesterday for Grenada, West Indies, with a cargo of 87,000 feet of lumber and 200,000 shingles.

— Mr. J. W. Fry, of Fayetteville, is to join Gen. John Gill and other Baltimoreians in a hunting expedition in Southern Georgia. The Baltimore party left the city Friday night

— Jim Spicer, colored, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Flynn yesterday, charged with stealing sixty-one crossties. The accused will be given a hearing before Justice Bunting to-morrow.

— The Norwegian barque *Atalanta*, which sailed from Wilmington December 12th, was abandoned in a sinking condition on January 23d, in latitude 44 degrees and longitude 37 degrees. The crew landed at Liverpool February 1st.

— The regular monthly meeting of the Wilmington Light Infantry will be held to-morrow night at 7 30 o'clock instead of 8 o'clock. This change has been made in order to accommodate the ladies interested in the Scottish Reformation, which will be presented at the Opera House to-morrow night. The monthly inspection of the company has been postponed until Wednesday evening at 7.15 o'clock.

Work on the Fort flotions at Fort Caswell Being Pushed Along.

The government work in the vicinity of Fort Caswell is being pushed vigorously. Col. D. P. Heap has lately returned from a visit of inspection and reports that the line of railroad track leading from the landing to the site of the fortification has been completed to nearly its full length. Temporary quarters for the workmen have been erected and repairs to the wharf have been completed. Contractor J. L. Grim, who is at present in Philadelphia, writes that his concrete mixtures, engines and other machinery are on the way and will probably reach their destination before the end of the month. The contract for the stone to be used has been awarded to the Mt. Airy Granite Company and the work of moving it will be begun by the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad about the middle of the month.

At the Opera House.

We are sorry to say that last night was the farewell performance of the Sisson Comedy Company. Mr. Sisson and his company of clever players have made lots of friends during their short stay in the city, and we can assure them they will always be welcome. We hope it will not be long before we will once more have the pleasure of seeing them before the footlights again. Yesterday afternoon at the matinee the company played "Nannette" to a crowded house. After the performance about fifty ladies and little folks had the pleasure of shaking hands with Mr. Sisson and his charming little soubrette, Miss Wallace, bidding them good by and hoping it would not be long before they return.

Extensive Improvements to Naval Reserves Armory.

Extensive improvements are now being made to the Naval Reserves armory, in the old court house building, on Princess street. Half of the large hall will be used for drilling and the other half, which will be handsomely carpeted for company meetings, etc. A pool and billiard table will be placed in the hall, the latest periodical taken and everything done to amuse and entertain the members. A force of hands have been at work in the armory for the past week. The ceiling and walls have been handsomely kalsomined and the gun racks handsomely painted. The company now drills twice a week, preparitory to their trip to Washington next month.

Change of Schedule.

A change of schedule goes into effect to day on the Seaboard Air Line by which the train arriving heretofore at 12 50 noon will arrive at 12.30 noon. No. 41 will leave at 8 20 p. m. as before. Through freight No. 35, carrying a coach, will leave at 8 p. m., and No. 6 will arrive at 5 30 a. m. instead of 8 45. A tri-weekly will leave Wilmington at 8 a. m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, also carrying a coach; returns on alternate days, arriving at Wilmington at 4 15 p. m.

A Correction.

In the account of the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen in yesterday's STAR, a reporter's mistake made the balance on hand January 1, 1896, as shown by the report of the Clerk and Treasurer, $43,954.51, instead of $31,652.70, and owing to a typographical error the receipts during the month were made to read $31,301 81, when they should have read $11,301.81.

A saving to those who buy this week at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. They want room for new Spring stock. Read their ad. †

Sousa's, Gilmore's and Issler's Bands reproduced on Phonograph, 108 Market street. †

EXPOSITION OF THE CAROLINAS.

Managed by the Women of Charlotte—To Open May 1st.

The women of Mecklenburg will inaugurate a Fine Art Loan, Industrial and Scientific Exposition, opening in Charlotte May 1st and continuing a month or longer. It is expected to gather together the finest art exhibit, the greatest collection of curios, relics, antiquities, historical data, specimens of geology, archeology, ethnology, etc., ever shown in the Carolinas. The industrial feature will be of great import. The manufactured, agricultural and mineral products of the States will be profusely displayed.

The management urges that every person constitute themselves a committee to search for and obtain a loan of paintings, water colors, decorated china, artistic needlework, and all manner of decorative art work for the Art Department. Curios and relics from strange people and far-off lands, articles of every form and kind of use from the early Colonial and Revolutionary times. It is intended to make special collection of personal clothing and ornaments of household furniture, and utensils that were in use in the time of the early settlers. All manner of family heirlooms and keepsakes of every description of any noted and well known persons are wanted for this exhibit. Articles are wanted to aid in making attractive and complete special corners. A splendid collection of Confederate war relics must be secured. Specimens pertaining to all the sciences are solicited.

Information pertaining to loans and exhibits may be had by addressing Mrs. Minnie Hobb Kellogg, General Manager of the Women's Exposition of the Carolinas, Charlotte, N. C.

The exposition is instituted by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. of Charlotte.

CORBETT AND FITZSIMMONS

To Fight at Carson City, Nevada, on the 17th of March, St. Patrick's Day.

On the 17th of next month, St. Patrick's day, Bob Fitzsimmons and Jas. J. Corbett will meet in the pugilistic ring at Carson City, Nevada, to battle for the heavy-weight championship of the world.

The event is looked forward to by the sporting fraternity as the greatest fight that will ever occur in the pugilistic arena. Both pugilists are fighters of note, and while the odds will be on Corbett, yet Fitzsimmon's money will not be lacking, for the lanky Australian has many admirers in the East. It will be a well matched pair that will step into the ring next month, for although Fitzsimmons has the largest neck, Corbett has the advantage of height and weight. The physical measurement of the two men are as follows:

Corbett, reach, 78 inches; neck, 15 inches; height, 72 inches; chest, 38 inches; chest when expanded, 43 inches; wais, 33 inches; muscle, 14½ inches; forearm, 11½ inches; wrist, 6½ inches; and hand 8 inches.

Fitzsimmons, reach 75¼ inches; neck, 17 inches; height, 31¾ inches; chest, 41 inches; chest when expanded, 44 inches; waist 33 inches; wrist, 6¾ inches, and hand 9¼ inches.

City Markets.

There was a liberal supply of country produce on the market yesterday. Fish could be had in several varieties. Vegetables were in good supply and of good quality. Eggs sold at 12½c to 15c per dozen.

Vegetables—Spinach, 30c per peck; Irish potatoes, 20c per peck; sweet potatoes, 15c per peck; rutabagas and turnips 2½c to 5c per bunch; cabbage, 10c and 15c per head; collads, 5c per head; lettuce, 3c to 5c per head; onions, 5c per bunch.

Poultry—Chickens, live 12½ to 30c; dressed, 25 and 30c; turkeys, dressed, 10 to 12½c per pound.

Oysters—Best New River, $1.00 per gallon; Stump Sound, 60c; Myrtle Grove, 50c; Sound oysters, 40c; oysters in the shell, 60 to 75c per bushel.

Meats—Pork, 10c per pound; mutton, 12½c; steak, loin, 12½c; round, 10c; chuck, 7c; stew, 5 and 6c; sausage, 10c.

Fish—Shad, $1 00 and $1.50 per pair; mullets, 10c per bunch; drum, 20c per bunch.

Funeral of Mrs. Currie.

The remains of Mrs. Currie, widow of the late John K. Currie, Esq., of this city, who died Friday at Rockingham, N. C., arrived here yesterday afternoon, at 12 50 o'clock, on the Carolina Central Railroad, and were at once taken to Oakdale Cemetery, where the service was conducted by Rev. R A. Willis, pastor of Grace M. E. Church, and interred.

The pall bearers were Messrs. J. A. Everitt, A. G. Hankins, T. C. Craft and DeWitt C. Love.

Rev. J. T. Gibbs, D. D., of Rockingham accompanied the remains.

At the time of her death the deceased was in the 79th year of her age.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

Will cure depression, anxiety and the blues in two minutes. The Phonograph, 108 Market street. †

C. W. Polvogt & Co. will need room for their Spring stock and offer you this week a cash discount of ten per cent. on your purchases. Visit them. †

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE AND HOUSE.

Action Taken by the Carolina Insurance Company of Wilmington, Which Insured Graham's Household Property—The Company Has Resisted Payment.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 6.—Bills in the House were introduced to amend section 1255 of the Code so that materials furnished a corporation to keep it going shall not have priority over a previously recorded mortgage, although they do not add to the plant nor enhance its value.

To abolish the office of enrolling clerk and provide for direct election of clerks in enrolling clerk's office.

To give county commissioners more time for meetings.

To make bastardy a misdemeanor.

To incorporate Harnett Central Railway Company, from Spout Springs to a point on the Fayetteville & Wilson Short-cut of the Atlantic Coast Line.

By Mr. Sutton, of Cumberland, to amend the charter of Fayetteville by creating a police board composed of E. P. Powers, A. E. Dixon, W. P. Wemyss, G. A. P. Wilkerson and W. F. Raiford, to take effect the first Monday in May, and serve two years and all officials to be elected by this board.

To make it a misdemeanor to practice law before passing an examination and receiving license.

To pay Mr. Josiah Turner the balance due him for public printing and interest due.

To pay D. E. Patrick the balance of salary as professor of Latin at the University, amounting to $1,700.

Resolution to oust Enrolling Clerk Swinson was placed on the calendar. The Democrats and a majority of the Populists voted against, and the Republicans and the minority for.

Bill to extend the stock law in Wayne, leaving the question to all qualified voters, passed second reading.

To pay special venire in capital cases $1 per day came over from the Senate, the latter body having added several counties, which were objectionable. A committee of three were appointed for conference.

Bills introduced;

To require all bankers or officers and directors of railways and State banks, or other corporations chartered by the Legislature, to take an official action, the State Treasurer to prepare the form of oath and send the blank form to each officer on or before January 1st of each year.

To make chapter 494, acts '93, discretionary with the Treasurer instead of mandatory. This is the act which creates banks of deposit for public moneys, by providing that he shall distribute deposits of public moneys in proportion to the capital stock of the banks.

To regulate the liability of stockholders in banks chartered by the State, providing that stockholders of every bank operating under the State laws shall be held individually responsible, fully and ratably, and not for another for all contracts, debts, and agreements of such association to the extent of the amount of their stock therein at par value thereof in addition to the amount invested in such share, and any provision in any charter given exemption from such liability is hereby repealed. The total liabilities to any bank of any person or corparation for money borrowed shall not exceed one tenth part of actually paid in capital stock. But the discount of bills of change drawn in good faith against actually existing values and the discount of commercial or business paper actually owned by persons negotiating the same shall not be considered as money borrowed.

Bill providing that the Superintendent of Public Instruction ascertain the entire amount of money now appropriated to the colored State Normal schools, and divide the sum equally among the several schools.

Bill amending the case in regard to the restoration of citizenship by providing that the petitioner may elect to file his petition in the Superior Court of the county where the indictment was found, upon which the conviction took place or in the county wherein he is an actual and bona-fide resident at the time of filing his petition, which application shall be heard by the Judge at the term.

A resolution raising a special committee to which will be referred all bills relative to congressional districts.

Bill passed establishing a dispensary at Waxhaw.

Repealing act of 1895 regarding Fayetteville public schools.

To allow Beaufort to levy a special tax to build bridges.

Mr. Jones, of Alllegany, arose to a personal privilege, denying that he went to ride with Senator Pritchard the day before his election; that he did not refuse to vote for Senator; that he was unable to vote on account of sickness; that he thought he was best serving his people by not voting at all.

Mr. Hancock introduced a bill to aid the North Carolina rolling exposition by appropriating $2,500.

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

In the Senate a petition signed by a thousand prominent people, asking for a reformatory, was read.

A bill was introduced to encourage and protect sheep industry.

The bill to renew and keep in force the charter of the Norfolk, Wilmington, & Charleston Railroad was taken up.

To amend chapter 156, laws 95, so as to add Cumberland county to the Eastern Criminal Circuit, was adopted.

Bill providing that no persons being non-residents of the State shall catch fish by nets or otherwise in any waters of the State without first obtaining a license from the Treasurer of the State of $2,500 per annum; violation of this act to be a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of $100 or six months imprisonment, or both fine and imprisonment, in discretion of the court; fines and license fees to go to the public school fund.

Mr. McCaskey said that foreign companies and corporations came to the waters of Eastern Carolina and stretched miles and miles of nets in Albemarle Sound inlet and were ruining the fish interest of the State without paying any revenue and were taking bread out of the mouths of our home people. The bill passed all readings.

Bill to prevent fishing with anchor drifts or gill nets in Albemarle Sound, and rivers emptying therein, passed.

To incorporate the Wellington & Powellville Railroad. Passed.

Resolution for the appointment of a special committee to recommend salaries and fees. Passed.

J. L. Graham, chief clerk in the office of Superintendent Mebane of Public Instruction, was arrested at the Supreme Court building this morning by Sheriff Jones on a warrant sworn out in Catawba county, charging him with wilfully and maliciously burning his own residence in March last. Graham was kept in the custody of the sheriff at the superintendent's office until this evening, when he was taken to Newton to have a hearing.

Action was taken by the Carolina Insurance Company, of Wilmington which insured Graham's household property and personal effects for five hundred dollars. The company has resisted payment. Graham says the prosecution is malicious and political persecution. Supt. Mebane holds the same view. Mebane says he does not fear the final outcome and will demand immediate hearing.

The Committee on Railroads heard many arguments this evening and to-night on the bill to revoke the lease of the North Carolina road. Judge Avery spoke ably favoring the bill for two hours. Mr. Buck Kitchin made a masterful speech for the bill, Messrs. J. S. Manning, S. B. Alexander and ex-Judge Burwell spoke against the bill. Mr. Alexander said Governor Carr had never spoken to him about the lease of the road until after the contract with the Southern was accepted. Many prominent railroad men were present. The hearing will be continued until Monday.

RALEIGH NEWS.

Senator Pritchard Has No Intention of Coming to Raleigh at Present—E. C. Duncan Will be Collector of the Eastern District.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 6.

Mr. H. A. Gudger is authority for the statement that Senator Pritchard has no intention of coming to Raleigh at present.

Mr. E. C. Duncan, the Representative from Beaufort, will be the Collector of the Eastern district to succeed Mr. F. M. Simmons. Mr. Duncan has never spoken of the matter, but the fact has leaked out. Mr. Duncan is one of the strongest Republicans in the East and one of Senator Pritchard's closest friends.

The following gentlemen passed successfully the examination before the State Board of Pharmacy to practice in the State: Jno. A. Milchener, of Raleigh; Robt. P. Hackney, of Durham; A. Brantley York, of Mebane; Alexander McGeachie, of Fayetteville; Wm. E. Gwaltney, of Wake Forest; J. A. McKeithan, of Fayetteville; Caleb H. Richmond, of Reedsville, and J. Fulton Cole, of Carthage.

J. M. Mewborne will be the Commissioner of Agriculture unless all signs fail and the will of the minority Populists is perfected.

Senators Barker and Wakefield enter a flat denial to the statement that Reid had delivered their votes to Pritchard in order to secure the penitentiary for himself. Both gentlemen declare that they agreed to vote for Pritchard during the campaign.

The Chapel Hill Helenian has been dedicated to Col. John S. Cunningham, the representative from Pearson. The Helenian will be a handsome publication this year.

The Street Car Company has been notified by the Board of Aldermen to begin the operation of its system by sixty days, or their charter will be forfeited.

Representative Howe tells me that the amendments to the bill relating to the city of Wilmington, will be to make it effective March 1st, and also to reduce the salary of the Sinking Commissioner.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—276 bales cotton. 7 casks spirits turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—175 bales cotton, 11 casks spirits turpentine, 223 bbls rosin, 37 bbls tar, 2 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—43 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 101 bbls rosin, 17 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—14 casks spirits turpentine, 27 bbls tar.

Steamship Oneida, 591 bales cotton.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—32 bales cotton, 15 casks spirits turpentine, 214 bbls rosin, 40 bbls tar.

Larkin's flat—2 casks spirits turpentine, 17 bbls rsion, 51 bbls tar.

Hein's flat—106 bbls. tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 1,119 bales; spirits turpentine, 53 casks; rosin, 554 bbls; tar, 278 bbls; crude turpentine, 2 bbls.

ARE YOU INTERESTED!

If So, We Are in a Position to Save You Many Dollars on a Piano.

If you are at all interested, or expect to be, call at 108 Market street and see the elegant $550 Cabinet Grand Upright Piano, in sixteenth century guaranteed oak, I am selling for $349. See also another style, regular price the world over $375, for $260, and our $350 Piano for $235, or $198 in Rosewood. Slick, $35 in your inside pocket for a payment down and come on. We will save you from $100 to $300 on a first class Piano or don't ask to sell. Special low price on an elegant Grand Piano in fancy oak.

C. ELLISON,
Special Agent.

Those who wish to save money this week purchase their dry goods and carpets of C. W. Polvogt & Co. They are offering special inducements to make room for Spring stock. Read their ad. †

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Do not forget that THE MORNING STAR is the cheapest daily of its class in North Carolina. Its price is $5.00, while the published price of others ranges from $7.00 to $8.00.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt, pastor—Fifth Sunday after Epiphany: English service at 11 a. m.; German at 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. All seats free.

St. James church, corner of Market and Third streets—Fifth Sunday after Epiphany: Litany, sermon and holy communion at 11 a. m.; evening prayer at 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 3 45 p. m.; teachers' meeting at 3.30 p. m.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, Fourth street, above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim, pastor—Morning service at 11 a. m.; evening prayer at 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school at 3 30 p. m. Seats all free, and every person cordially invited.

Services in St. John's Church to-day, fifth Sunday after the Epiphany, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael, at 11 a. m. and 4.30 p. m. Sunday school 3 30 p. m.

St. Paul's church, Fourth and Orange streets, Rev F. N. Skinner, rector. Services to-day, fifth Sunday after Epiphany, at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 3 30 p. m. All seats free.

COLORED CHURCHES.

There will be preaching to-day at the First Baptist church, corner Fifth and Campbell streets, at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m. the Lords Supper will be administered. Preaching at 8 p. m. by Rev. H. W. Jones, of Conway, S. C. Strangers and friends are welcome. Joseph Spell, pastor.

St. Stephen's A. M. E. church, corner Fifth and Red Cross streets, Rev. E. J. Gregg, pastor. Preaching to-day at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. by the pastor. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at 3 p. m. Evening subject: "Divorce and the Reasons Why." Everybody invited to worship with us.

Young Men's Christian Association—The Twenty-first Annual State Convention.

The twenty-fifth annual State convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of North Carolina, to be held at Winston, N. C., February 19th, promises to be a very fine meeting. The attendance will be large and the programme interesting. Among those who are to make addresses are Dr. A. C. Baron, pastor First Baptist Church of Charlotte; Rev. Wm. Black, the well known evangelist; Professors P. P. Claxton, of Greensboro, and J. A. Bivens, of Charlotte. The International Committee will be represented by Messrs. H. P. Anderson and H. W. Georgi. Topics will be discussed covering the whole range of Association subjects. Especial attention will be given to the educational work, to Bible study and to the religious work of our Young Men's Christian Associations.

A conference of the College Associations' presidents will be held by Mr. Georgi on February 18 and 19, and it is hoped each College Association will send its new president in order that he may be instructed in his important work.

All Christian workers, and especially Christian men in towns where there are no associations, are cordially invited and every pastor will be welcome.

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MARY F. VANAMRINGE,
Executrix.
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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEB. 7, 1897

FIGURES NOT TO BE PROUD OF.

The nation that has a sea front that doesn't know the value of ships has much to learn. A small nation that knows the value of ships and is well equipped with them may become great and powerful while the large nation that is shipless will have all it can do to hold its own, and must be content to be a shipper in the ships of other people.

The Amercan people are not so dull that they do not know the value of ships, for they do, and once had the finest ships in the world, American built, and can yet build the finest in the world. We once had a merchant marine that was the pride of the seas, that carried 90 per cent. of our exports trade, while now only 23 per cent. of our exports are carried in American vessels, the 77 per cent. by foreign ships.

If we had never had a merchant marine and did not know the value of ships the apparent indifference with which we behold the decay might be understood, but as this is not the case it is not easy to understand why so little interest is taken in that subject by the representatives of the people. This is a pretty large country, and while it has thousands of miles of seacoast, there are thousands of people in it who never saw the sea nor a ship and never expect to. There is an idea that prevails to some extent in the interior States that ships may be all right and good things to build up the commerce of the cities they sail to and from but can't see any benefit the people of the interior would derive from the finest merchant marine that sailed the seas. This is a mistaken idea, of course, but still it is an idea that is entertained by a good many people and by some of their representatives, and hence when there is any proposition before Congress to help ships it always meets with opposition from those who haven't any use for ships. But the policy that would restore the American merchant marine would be eventually felt on the farm as well as in the shops of the seaport.

The U. S. Commissioner of Navigation, in his last report to Congress, submits the following table, showing the proportion of the carrying trade done by our own and by foreign ships from 1821 to 1895:

TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED FROM THE UNITED STATES.

Year.	Americ'n.	P'r ct.	Foreign.	P'r ct.
1821....	1,570,045	90	164,604	10
1822....	1,501,709	88	198,031	12
1823....	1,585,032	87	239,208	13
1824....	1,769,811	90	204,819	10
1825....	1,841,120	91	188,007	09
1826....	1,895,218	90	205,071	10
1827....	1,898,903	88	268,839	12
1828....	1,765,785	85	301,258	15
1829....	1,817,748	87	262,749	13
1830....	1,938,937	88	265,336	12
1831....	1,895,456	77	553,942	23
1832....	1,924,487	71	780,546	29
1833....	2,253,501	69	903,744	31
1834....	2,208,690	66	1,145,752	34
1835....	2,758,270	68	1,280,184	32
1836....	2,570,907	65	1,354,984	35
1836....	2,566,342	63	1,521,995	37
1838....	2,711,735	69	1,196,276	31
1839....	2,969,207	70	1,236,653	30
1840....	3,928,935	69	1,418,849	31
1845....	4,089,463	69	1,840,838	31
1850....	5,205,804	60	3,503,837	40
1855....	7,920,370	65	4,194,270	35
1860....	12,087,209	71	4,977,916	29
1865....	5,968,795	47	6,812,090	53
1870....	6,994,967	38	11,332,095	62
1875....	7,810,589	30	16,278,728	70
1880....	6,834,319	19	29,219,229	81
1885....	6,368,567	21	24,456,029	79
1890....	8,149,878	23	28,106,045	77
1895....	8,977,057	23	30,068,404	77

Our shipping has fallen from 90 per cent. to 23, while the foreign ships have increased from 10 to 77 per cent. These are figures that are not calculated to make us proud.

There are numerous ways to account for the decline in our merchant marine and the growth of the shipping of some of the other nations whose people have an aptitude for the sailing of ships. It was but natural that as our ships disappeared from the seas and were not replaced that other nations increased their shipping accordingly, and as they did so it became more difficult for our ship-builders and ship-owners to compete with them.

Unfortunately to protect the few American ship yards which we have, a policy is pursued which compels the American who wants to sail ships to sail them under foreign flags, for he can't buy a foreign built ship and sail it under his own flag. He must have his ships built at home and pay twenty-five or thirty per cent. more for them than the English or German ship-buyer pays the builders in those countries. If this handicap was removed our capitalists who had money to invest upon the seas might go abroad and buy ships on the same terms that others can, and out fleets would soon grow.

With a low tariff, or no tariff at all, our ship builders would have the benefit of such material as they use free of tariff duties, and thus would be able to compete with the ship builders of other countries. As these are days of iron ships this is a very important consideration with the ship builder. With England absorbing the trade of our Atlantic ports, and Japan absorbing the trade of the Pacific, it is time for us to begin to look out and see if something can't be done to stimulate American ship building and recover our former prestige on the seas. This is not the work of a day nor a year; it will take time and patient endeavor. It can be rebuilt as rapidly as it was destroyed if one half the ingenuity be exercised in rebuilding as there was in the destroying.

MINOR MENTION.

The esteemed New York *Post*, through whose columns editor Larry Godkin talks loud and incessantly for the British gold standard, is very much disturbed and quite indignant that Senators Chandler, Hoar and other Republican statesmen should now, that they have succeeded in electing McKinley, be showing with an inclination towards bimetallism. Here is the way it vents its indignation and goes for these statesmen:

"The bimetallic speeches in the Senate of Messrs Hoar, Chandler and Allison are a scandalous, almost a criminal, violation of political good faith.

"If they had dared to make such speeches in the course of the campaign, Bryan would have been elected.

"If what they say and aim at is true and desirable, Bryan should have been elected.

"That Senator Hoar is a Bryanite on the money issue be himself confessed in his garrulous, senile way when he said that all who voted for Bryan thought, of course, just as he did about bimetallism.

"To point to the international conference clause of the Republican platform is beside the mark. That clause was swept overboard in the very first rush of the free silver storm. It played no part in the canvass except to serve as the butt of Bryan's ridicule. Bimetallism of all sorts dropped completely out of sight in the Republican arguments, and if there was ever anything to which any party stood solemnly pledged and bound, it is the maintenance of the gold standard, without alteration or addition, by the Republican party. On that issue the entire battle was fought, contributions asked, sound money co-operation from all sides invited, the business world appealed to. The gold standard, unchanged and undiluted, was what the Republican party said it was for, what the majority voted it into power to defend and perpetuate. The spectacle, therefore, of Republican Senators leaping again into the free silver slough, as if nothing had happened since they were last in that quagmire, is one not only of unprecedented folly, but of unparalleled baseness. It is a shameless betrayal of political trust. What are the sound money Republicans of the House going to do about it? What has Speaker Reed to say? Will they join Senator Hoar in confessing that they were cheats and hypocrites all through the canvass, and that they really believed in Bryan's principles, though voting and speaking for McKinley?"

This esteemed London and Wall Street organ is prematurely alarmed, for there is nothing serious in this talk of the statesmen whom Larry larrups. They are simply performing their part of the play.

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Honest, intelligent Populists, who are not in politics for lucre or spirits, must be thoroughly disgusted with the factional fight and developments at Raleigh since this Legislature met. The feeling of these is doubtless expressed by the following, which we clip from a letter of Maj. W. A. Guthrie, the Populist candidate for Governor at the last election, which recently appeared in the Charlotte *Observer:*

"It is a struggle in which, if there was ever any political principle involved, that principle is overshadowed and lost sight of in the fight for spoils and personal aggrandizement, and the ordinary People's party voter (of whom I am one, a private in the ranks) is not in it at all. I have said, and I will stick to it, that the minority voters who were pledged to Senator Pritchard before the election, and who voted for Mr. Pritchard, are much more consistent in their course than some of the majority who gave me a sort of milk and cider support in the late campaign, and now pose as such ardent Populists and anti-Pritchard men. Of course this observation is not intended to apply in any way whatever to those true and tried Populists who have from the beginning affiliated in good faith with the majority Populist caucus, especially those who stood up like men in my support in advancing and voting for Populist principles in the late campaign. Time makes all things even. I am content to wait and let the rival factions kick against each other awhile to see how it feels, especially as a goodly number of both factions so recently kicked me. "Lay on McDuff." I am still a Populist, if I know what a Populist is."

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The bolting contingent of Pops at Raleigh has been increased by four, which have deserted Butler and the majority, making the contingent on which the Republicans can rely about twenty one. The probabilities are that there will be still others when the inducements are presented in substantial form. The Republicans and the bolters now control the cribs and this will be too much for the self-denying virtue of the other fellows to continue to withstand, and if they get an intimation that there is room for them on the other side of the fence and that they will be permitted to feed from the crib the probabilities are that there will be more fence-jumping. If Senator Butler had a pull on the patronage he might hold them, but his opponents have the pull in the State, and Pritchard and Skinner at Washington, which leaves Butler empty-handed, with nothing of the cohesive propriety in it to keep his followers together.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Mr. Gage doesn't seem to entertain a high opinion of John Sherman as a financier. But as Mr. Sherman is to look after the diplomatic end of the game there is no danger of a clash.—*Washington Post, Dem.*

—— England will probably construct and control the Nicaragua canal. She will hem us in, get the trade that should come to us, make us a debtor nation and dominate our political, social and business affairs. Our statesmen haven't spunk enough to buck against John Bull.—*Atlanta Constitution, Dem.*

—— It is said that there are forty derelicts floating about the ocean in the paths of navigation. Why not send out some of our idle and expensive cruisers, gunboats, etc, to send them to Davy Jones' locker? It would be mimicry of noble war," and ought to be satisfactory to officers and crew.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Murfreesboro *Index*: Drummers have been plentiful the past week, especially the fertilizer men. It is said that larger contracts than usual are being made for fertilizers.

— Jonesboro *Progress*: Miss Sarah McDuffie, daughter of John W. McDuffie, deceased, died at her home, in Pocket township, Tuesday morning. She was about 38 years old.

— Salisbury *World*: Mr. W. H. Kestler died at his home on Inniss street this (Friday) morning at about 9 o'clock. His life had been hanging on a thread for the past two weeks and his death was not unexpected.

— Weldon *News*: Major L. M. Long, whose illness was mentioned last week, died at his home in Northampton county, Friday morning of pneumonia, in the 48th year of his age. Major Long was a native of this county and was for many years a prominent business man of this place.

— Chatham *Record:* Ben Thompson, a well known old colored man, died near here on last Tuesday night, aged nearly eighty years. He never failed at every election to vote the straight Democratic ticket, and was highly respected by all our citizens. For many years he was the "village blacksmith."

— Fayetteville *Observer:* Mr. Jas. Draughon, a younger brother of Maj. W. B. Draughon, died at his home near Clinton, Sampson county, Thursday afternoon. —— Thursday afternoon at 3 30 o'clock at his residence in Gray's Creek township, Mr. John Kirkpatrick died after a very brief illness, aged 73 years.

— Elizabeth City *Economist*: It was a sad death from accidental drowning of Capt. Richard Sawyer in Pasquotank river on Monday night. He was in command of the Buffalo City barge McKeava and was trying to anchor her more safely when he missed his footing and fell overboard. He called for a rope to be thrown to him but in the darkness it did not reach him.

— Scotland Neck *Commonwealth*: A few days ago Milliken Devereaux, an old colored man who was 90 years old on the 4th of January, procured a license in Halifax to marry Harriet Whitaker, who is 38 years old. He is one of the oldest persons in the county, if not the oldest. He helped build the Wilmington & Weldon and the Raleigh & Gaston railroads. His mother died on Dr. R. M. Johnson's farm a few years ago aged 110 years.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— How many times good fortune has come to us through our mistakes.

— Backsliding begins when the Christian begins to live on stale bread.

— Do what you can do well, and you will soon be able to do much better.

— The man is well occupied whose first aim in life is to do God's will.

— The love of God does not consist in shedding tears, nor in experiencing sweetness and tenderness of heart, but in truly serving God in justice, strength and humility.

— Patient, hopeful waiting is hard work when it is the only work possible to us in an emergency. But patient waiting is in its time the highest duty of a faithful soul.—*H. Clay Trumbull.*

— We can never see this world in its true light unless we consider one life in it as a state of discipline, a condition through which we are passing to prepare us for another state beyond.—*J. W. Alexander.*

— The trouble is that there is a vast amount of religious work being done with no more spiritual life and power than the world about us has. Unconverted men could do all that is being done by some churches, and do it as well, too.—*Christian Witness.*

— Christianity as Christ taught is the truest philosophy of life ever spoken. But let us be quite sure, when we speak of Christianity, that we mean Christ's Christianity.—*Phillips Brooks.*

— Five minutes spent in the companionship of Christ every morning—ay, two minutes, if it is face to face and heart to heart—will change the whole day, will make every thought and feeling different; will enable you to do things for the sake that you would not have done for your own sake or for any one's sake.—*Drummond.*

TWINKLINGS.

—"She says she's twenty-five, but she's thirty-five. I can read it between the lines." "What lines." "Those on her face."—*Harper's Bazar.*

A Good Rule: "If any one feels angry he should count ten before he says anything." "Yes; when my wife is angry it always pacifies her if I count out $10."— *Chicago Record.*

— Irregular Regularity: The Rev. Mr. Wilgus—"My good man, do you attend religious services every Sabbath?"

Dismal Dawson—"I alluz do when I'm in jail."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— Some one asked Max Nordau to define the difference between genius and insanity. "Well," said the author of "Degeneration," "the lunatic is, at least, sure of his board and clothes."

— "Wot did she say when you told her you was a Cuban war sufferer?" asked Hungry Higgins, who had waited at the gate.

"She told me," answered Weary Watkins, who had "made the spiel," "she told me to see how quick I could walk Spanish."—*Indianapolis Journal*

—Dakota. In —Client—Twent-five dollars for procuring a divorce?

Lawyer—Yes, madam; or we would make a two years' contract to procure any divorces you may need during that time, not to exceed six, for one hundred dollars.—*Puck.*

—A —Good Precedent; Mother —"Johnnie, when you take jam out of the pantry do you know you are breaking one of the commandments?" Johnny —„Well, teacher at Sunday Scool said yesterday that Moses broke them all one day on a hill and he was good."—*Cleveland Leader.*

—"There's lots o' min," said Mr Rafferty. "Thot athracts a gred deal av attention widout much thot's substantial to show fer it."

"True fur yez," replied Mr. Dolan: "the lightest man runs up the ladder fastest. But it do be the boy that brings a hod o' bricks wid' 'im that ra'lya counts."—*London Figaro.*

—"Men are such deceivers," said Mrs Snarley. "There my daughter's husband. When he came a-courting he always went home before 9 o'cloch; he said that he could not be out late: that his healt did not allow it. The villian! Almost ever since he has been married he has been out till midnight every night of his life."—*Transcript.*

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WHERE MOTHER IS.

GEORGE COOPER.

In the crimson and gold of the setting sun
The white little lambs o'er the meadows run;
And the birds wing their way to the sweet home nest,
Where is waiting the one that loves them best.
There's a voice in the breeze that goes wandering by,
And the whisper that falls from the deepening sky;
Oh, the mother heart calls to each weary rover,
And where mother is, home is, the wide world over!

'Tis the song of the brook on its silvery way,
The crickets have chirped it with darkening day;
And the first pearly star in the azure dome
Seems to whisper a message sweet of home.
In the bud and the leaf and the slumbering flower
There's a thought of the peace of the rest-giving hour.
When the mother heart calls to each weary rover,
And where mother is, home is, the wide world over!

Now the brown bees have ended their day long quest,
The butterflies folded their wings to rest;
And the twinkle of lights in the cottage pane
Tells of joy that has blest the hearth again.
And I read in the eyes of the little ones sweet,
In the shouts of delight, and the pattering feet,
Oh, the mother heart calls to each weary rover,
And where mother is, home is, the wide world over!

—*Philadelphia Sunday School Times.*

—— Notwithstanding Harrison's administration had used up the large surplus that Mr. Cleveland had accumulated from 1885 to 1889, leaving the Treasury in 1893 practically bankrupt, the Cleveland administration has managed to get together another large surplus for Mr. McKinley and his incoming Congress to get away with. The last statement of Mr. Carlisle, dated Feb. 1, shows the comfortable balance of $215,362,420.73. Decrease in the public debt during January, $12,957,959.22.—*Indianapolis Sentinel, Dem.*

SCARED BY A PHANTOM GOAT.

Strange Sights In Mississippi In and Out of the Bock Beer Season.

Three miles west of New Albany the Rocky Ford road crosses a creek which was originally named Big creek, but was more appropriately named Hell creek by persons who have been compelled to cross the adjacent bottom in recent years. Just beyond this is another little run called Mud creek, which stream is grown up with thicket and heavy underbrush, and on cloudy nights the blackness that surrounds the travelers could be sliced into chunks and sold for ink. The bottom or lowlands adjacent to the stream is of unusual width for one so small, and at the best is exceedingly uninviting.

Some years ago a gentleman passing through the bottom at night was almost thrown by his horse shying to one side, and when he looked ahead was confronted by a monster goat of white color rearing upon his hind feet as if to annihilate the animal and rider. One look was sufficient, and, making a sudden turn, he galloped out of the bottom at the risk of his life, swearing that he would drink no more New Albany blind tiger liquor. Not wishing to put himself up as a target for the jeers of the public, he held his counsel and heard or saw nothing more of the apparition for some time.

About a year later his goatship was again on the warpath and confronted a gentleman of known sobriety, who, not daunted, urged his animal forward despite the warlike attitude of the ghostly visitor. The goat kept in the middle of the road and when the small bridge was reached disappeared as mysteriously as he had appeared.

The gentleman related his experience, which became noised abroad and gave courage to the man who first sighted the vapory animal to relate his experience, and the two coincided so well that the people began to give them credit for having seen something to disturb their peace of mind. The story was given enough credence to cause an uneasy feeling to enter the mind of the traveler who crossed the bottom at night and cause a chill to ramble up and down his spinal column as he passed the spot where the ghost had been seen.

Last year Mr. ——, who is not a believer in things uncanny at all and has a supreme contempt for a man who has seen spooks, had been beyond the creek harvesting hay and was detained until after nightfall on his return home. The night was intensely dark, and a slight rain was falling. As he drove through the impenetrable gloom, trusting to the instinct of the mules that drew the rake which he was astride to find the road, the misty and uncertain form of the giant goat suddenly appeared in the road ahead of him. The mules reared and plunged, very nearly upsetting the rake. Leaping to the ground, he grasped the bits and was gratified to see the phantom recede as the team moved forward. The mules, trembling in every nerve, carried him along, and when the bridge was reached he disappeared as on former occasions, much to the relief of the gentleman who did not believe in spirits and unnatural apparitions.

Since that time a number of thoroughly reliable witnesses have been placed in positions to vouch for the truthfulness of the existence of the phantom goat. Persons who travel that road to and from town make their arrangements to pass that spot before nightfall, and very few have the temerity to invade the territory of his goatship after darkness has fallen.—New Albany (Miss.) Gazette.

First Step and Last.

Observers of the United States from the time of De Tocqueville onward have insisted on the prominence in public life of the legal profession and the legal attitude of mind. For many an American politician indeed the study of law has been the first step toward culture. Sometimes it is the last.—London Speaker.

MILLIONS OF SEALS.

OR SO THE SAILORS THOUGHT WHEN THEY SAW THE SCHOOL.

A Story About Josiah Dowse's Good Fortune Which Reads Like an "Arabian Nights" Tale—A Fortune In the Chart the Old Navigator Left His Benefactor.

Josiah Dowse was a Rhode Islander and had a farm at Point Judith in 1819, a bleak, sterile region, where the people have to anchor their wood piles and the girls are baldheaded at 30 because the wind blows all their hair off. He had been a sailor in his youth.

He was in Providence one day and passing the dock saw a man, evidently an old sailor, sitting on his chest. Dowse spoke to him and learned that he had just come off a West Indian voyage and had been sick and was very feeble and wanted to get into the country and recruit his strength. He added that "he could make it worth a man's while to help him a bit."

His name was Redman, and he became a useful servant, but his health declined daily, and one day he called Dowse to him and said: "Cap'n, my time is nigh up, and for your kindness to me I will give you a chance to get rich. Nine years ago I was on a sealer from St. John's called the Seaweed. Captain Tibbs was master, and we was bound for the South Shetlands, and on the 10th of May was pitchin off Cape Horn. Captain Tibbs was afraid of nawthin, and when he found the way clear he jess kept crackin on south, and when he took his reck'nin we was farther south than any sealer had ever been before. By night he was to the lee of an island, 'cause we heard the surf beat on the beach, and next mornin when the sun rose saw a sight that made all hands jump. Making for the gravelly beach was not less than 10,000 fur seal, some as big as walrus. Well, there was 13 of us, and we went quietly to work to drive the seals. They had never been near a white man before and were tame as chickens. We killed in daytime and skinned all night. It was killin work, and by the time we had 16,000 skins in the hold of our 90 ton hooker all hands were used up, but we were on the road to fortune. Sure, them skins was wuth £20 apiece in China, so we left the island Aug. 19, 1810.

"We took the longest route sailin east, so as to strike the cape of Good Hope, for our provisions would last no longer, and in 138 days were in Canton river. Our cargo must have brought $300,000, and as we was on the lay I got $4,200. Well, of course, I made a fool of myself, was drunk for a month, and finally some of the crew took me aboard in that condition, and I awoke to find myself off soundin's. Second day out we was caught in a typhoon. I was in my bunk, and when I got on deck the mast was gone and all but five of my messmates had been washed overboard. The Seaweed was wallopin about like a mad bull. All at once she struck, and when I got my breath I was layin ashore among a lot of wreckage and all bruised up, and there I was when day broke. I never saw a splinter of the sloop or any of my messmates again. Somethin black was washed up on the beach that I knew was the captain's chart case, and this I picked up. I was in luck, for three hours afterward a Chinese junk came along and took me aboard, and I got to Shanghai. Now, cap'n, thar's the chart case in my chest, and the island is marked plain as a hole in a grummet, and you can try your luck."

Dowse examined the chart. It was corroborative of the old man's story. He grew excited. His wife had $4,000, and her brother was well to do and would be a partner. "Hurrah for the south seas!"

A week after Redman passed away, and inside of a month the North Star, a 106 ton schooner, with Dowse and a hardy crew of 15 men, was beating out of Narragansett. On the 5th of April, 1820, they sighted Cape Horn, and so far had met but little ice. Everything depended on this. In some seasons 200 miles of ice might lie between them and their promised land. The chart was consulted hourly, and a man lashed on the foretopmast day and night. About middle watch one of the crew called down the cabin hatch: "Captain Dowse, thar's seal about. I can hear them. We're near land." Sure enough, the hoarse growl of a bull was distinctly heard. Sail was taken in and the schooner's way checked until daylight, when the cry went up: "Good Lord! Thar they are—1,000,000 on 'em."

This was Redman's island—a wide beach with an upland of rocks. But the seals! For a mile they lay ten deep. The golden sands of India were no comparison. The men were all experienced in the business and went to work so as to bring out the best results, and by the middle of July 24,000 seal skins were barreled on deck or in the hold, leaving scarce room for water and provisions. The Pacific route was taken, and in 105 days they reached the coast of China and Hongkong. Their cargo brought over $400,000, as the market was bare of skins. Of this over $300,000 went to the captain and schooner.

It was too late to make another trip back, so the North Star sailed for Sydney, and in the spring tried her luck again. It proved another open season. They made a full cargo, sailed for Hongkong and disposed of their furs on satisfactory terms, got English exchange, 18 per cent premium, for their money, and, finding a purchaser for the North Star, took passage on an English ship for London, thence home, having been gone two years and six months.

Josiah was now worth $500,000, and he went to Canada to engage in the timber trade, was very successful and left a large fortune to his son Hugh. In 1824 not less than eight boats left Newport for the southern El Dorado, but for years after the ice pack was solid for 250 miles north of Dowse's island. Some of the boats never came back, and all lost their time and money. Not from that day to this has any one ever reached the new seal ground.—Philadelphia Times.

The Benefits of Water Drinking.

It is possible to prevent many diseases and cure others by drinking large quantities of water. An eminent French physician says that typhoid fever can be washed out of the system by water. He gives his patients what would amount to eight or ten ounces an hour of sterilized water. Experiments have been made with diseases caused by bacteria which demonstrate the curative value of water. In cases of cholera, where the system secretes a large amount of fluid, enormous quantities of hot water are of great benefit and will cure many cases without other medicines. One doctor says that perfectly sweet, fresh cider, taken in large quantities, has been known to cure cases of bowel complaint. The acid kills the bacteria, which are speedily thrown out of the system. Hot water in fevers is of great use, and an ordinary tumblerful of water as hot as can be taken once an hour is one of the very best remedies. The important thing is to get into the system and out of it a sufficient amount of water to prevent the accumulation of ptomaines and toxins within the body.—New York Ledger.

Accuracy.

"You advertise in the papers this morning," said the pale, studious looking caller, "for a cook, if I mistake not?"

"Yes, sir," answered one of the proprietors of the first class restaurant. "Have you any recommenda"——

"And if I remember rightly you say: 'Must be a master of the art. Salary no object to the right man.' Do I quote you correctly?"

"Yes. What references can you give?"

"None at all, sir. I need no references."

"Oh, you don't need any! How many years' experience have you had as a professional cook?"

"I have had no experience whatever as a cook, sir, professional or otherwise. I have merely called in to observe that when you say 'salary is no object to the right man' you convey a wrong impression and fail perhaps to express your exact meaning. If you secure the right man, you will find that the salary is the sole object. That is all, sir. Let us be accurate, if we don't catch a single clam. Good day!"—Chicago Tribune.

Mothers

Anxiously watch declining health of their daughters. So many are cut off by consumption in early years that there is real cause for anxiety. In the early stages, when not beyond the reach of medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla will restore the quality and quantity of the blood and thus give good health. Read the following letter:

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Cough

and nothing seemed to do her any good. I happened to read about Hood's Sarsaparilla and had her give it a trial. From the very first dose she began to get better. After taking a few bottles she was completely cured and her health has been the best ever since." MRS. ADDIE PECK, 12 Railroad Place, Amsterdam, N. Y.

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Rev. R. C. Beaman, recently appointed by the North Carolina Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, has made his appointments for the first round, as follows:

Burgaw circuit, at Rocky Point, February 6, 7.

Clinton circuit, at Keeners, February 13. 14.

Jacksonville and Richlands, at Jacksonville, February 20, 21.

Elizabeth circuit, at Elizabethtown, February 27. 28.

Kenansville circuit, at Kenansville, March 6, 7.

Onslow circuit, at Queen's Creek, March 13. 14.

Brunswick circuit, at Concord, March 20, 21.

Columbus circuit, Evergreen, March 27. 28.

Whiteville and Fair Bluff. Whiteville (night), March 28.

Waccamaw circuit, Shiloh, March 30.

Magnolia circuit, Magnolia, April 3, 4.

Bladen circuit, at Bethlehem, April 10, 11.

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Wholesale Prices Current.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6	@	7
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¼
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	4½	@	5
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	4¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each	1 30	@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	23	@	24
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	
Northern	19	@	22
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	36	@	40
Virginia Meal	36	@	40
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	95
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE ℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	11	@	16
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	11	@	12½
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@	[illegible] 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@	3 07
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75	@	6 50
N C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	3 35	@	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—			
Low grade		@	3 75
Choice		@	4 25
Straight	4 75	@	5 00
First Patent	5 50	@	5 75
GLUE—℔ ℔—	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White,	40	@	42½
Car load, in bags—White,	37½	@	38
Oats, from store	30	@	32½
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	45	@	50
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	16
Dry		@	18
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔s—			
Eastern		@	1 00
Western		@	90
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	2	@	2½
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5½	@	6
North Carolina	6	@	10
LIME ℔ barrel		@	1 15
LUMBER (city sawed), ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	18 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbados, in hhds		@	28
" " in bbls		@	30
Porto Rico, in hhds	27	@	29
" in bbls		@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12	@	14
" in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	13	@	
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis		@	1 75
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	9 00	@	9 25
Rump		@	8 75
Prime		@	8 75
ROPE ℔ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	60
Lisbon		@	
American		@	60
On 125 ℔ Sacks	40	@	40
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granu		@	[illegible]
Standard A		@	[illegible]
White Ex. C		@	[illegible]
Extra C, Golden	4	@	[illegible]
C Yellow		@	[illegible]
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	8 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	4 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	4	@	
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, February 6.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 26¼ cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 25¾ cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market steady at 95 cents per bbl of 280 ℔s.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.— Firm. Hard 1 30, Soft 1 80 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm. 26¼@26½c; rosin, steady, $1 25, 1 30; tar steady, 90c; crude turpentine quiet and steady, $1 50, 1 90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	52
Rosin	554
Tar	278
Crude Turpentine	2

Receipts same day last year—55 casks spirits turpentine, 995 bbls rosin, 77 bbls tar, 00 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6¾c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4¾	cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	5¾	" "
Low Middling	6¼	" "
Middling	6¾	" "
Good Middling	7 1-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7⅞c.

Receipts—1,117 bales; same day last year, 263.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 50@55c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 60c; Fancy, 60@65c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 50@55c. Fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 40 to 42 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch; $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $5.00 to 8.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 6—Evening.—Money on call offered at 2 per ct. Prime mercantile paper was 3 per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with the actual business in bankers bills at 484¾ for sixty days; 486¼@486½ for demand. Commercial bills 483½@484. Government bonds dull and easier; United States coupon fours 112; United States twos 95¼. State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 103; North Carolina sixes 122. Railroad bonds strong.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to-day was neglected.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 6—Evening.—Cotton steady; middling 7 5-16c.

Cotton futures closed barely steady; February 6 97, March 6 98, April 7 05, May 7 12, June 7 16, July 7 21, August 7 21, September 6 89, October 6 76, November 6 78, December 6 83. Sales 48,400 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 72 bales; gross 642 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent —— bales; forwarded 80 bales; sales 416 bales; sales to spinners — bales; stock 283,773 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 14,243 bales; exports to Great Britain 7,696 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 14,972 bales; stock 998,183 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 5,627,850 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,365,758 bales; exports to France 517,924 bales; exports to the Continent 1,386,088 bales; to the Channel 5,481 bales.

Flour was steady and unchanged; Southern flour dull and unchanged; common to fair extra $3 30@3 65; good to choice $3 75@4 05. Wheat—spot dull and firm; No. 2 red free on board 94⅛c; ungraded 75@95c; options opened weak and declined ⅛@⅜c, rallied 1@1⅛c, fell 1⅛c and closed firm at ⅛@⅜c over yesterday, with trading fairly active; No. 2 red March 85⅝c. May 82⅜c; June 82⅛c; July 79⅛c. September 77c. Corn—spot dull and firm. No. 2 29⅛c at elevator and 30⅛c afloat; options were dull and firm at ⅛@⅛c advance; February 29⅛c; May 30⅛c; July 31⅛c. Oats—spot dull; mixed firmer; options dull and nominally ⅛@⅜c up, closing firm; February 21⅛c; May 22⅛c; July 23c; spot prices—No. 2 22c; No 2 white 24c; mixed Western 20@24c. Lard quiet and weak. Western steam $3 90, city $3 55, May $4 07½, nominal; refined lard was dull; Continent $4 25; South America $4 60. compound $4 00@4 25. Pork quiet and easy; new mess $8 00@8 75. Butter—choice firm; State dairy 10@18c; do, creamery 14@20c; Elgins 21@21½c. Eggs quiet; State and Pennsylvania 16@16½c; ice house, per case $3 00@2 30. Western fresh 15½c; Southern 14½@15½c; limed 13@13½c. Cotton seed oil quiet; crude 20c, yellow prime 23c. Rice firm, dull and unchanged. Peanuts quiet, fancy hand picked 3⅝c. Coffee dull and unchanged to 5 points up; spot Rio dull but steady; No. 7 $9 87½. Sugar—raw steady; fair refining 3⅛c; refined dull unchanged.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Cash quotations: Flour was dull, steady and unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring 73½@76½c; No. 2 red 84½@87½c. Corn—No. 2 22½c. Oats—No. 2 16⅛@16½c. Mess pork $7 57½@7 60. Lard $3 67½@3 70. Short rib sides, loose, $3 75@4 00. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 25@4 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 12½@4 25. Whiskey $1 17.

The leading futures ranged as follows, opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—February 73⅞, 75⅛, 73⅞, 75⅛; May 75⅛@75⅜, 77⅛, 75⅛, 77c. July 71⅛@71⅞, 73⅛, 71⅛, 72⅝c. Corn—February 22⅛@22⅛, 22⅛, 22@22⅛, 22⅛@22⅛c. May 24⅛@24⅛, 24⅜, 24⅛@24⅛, 24⅛@24⅜c; July 25⅛@25⅜, 25⅜@25⅜, 25⅛, 25⅜c. Oats—No. 2 February 15⅜, 15⅝, 15⅜, 15⅝c; May 17⅝@17⅞, 17⅜@17⅞, 17⅝@17⅞, 17⅝c; July 18⅜@18⅜, 18⅜@18⅜, 18⅛@18⅜c. Mess pork—May $7 52½, 7 65, 7 52½, 7 65, July $7 77½, 7 77½, 7 77½, 7 77½. Lard—May $3 75, 3 80, 3 75 3 80; July $3 82½, 3 87½, 3 82½, 3 87½. Short ribs—May $3 85, 3 90, 3 85, 3 90; July $3 92½, 4 00, 3 92½, 4 00.

BALTIMORE, Feb 6.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat strong; spot 88⅛c; May 84@84½c; Southern by sample 88@90c; do on grade 84½@89½c. Corn steady; spot and February 25½@26c; March 26½@26⅜c; April 27@27½c, May 28@28½c; Steamer mixed 24@24½c; Southern white 27½@28c; do yellow 26½@27c. Oats quiet and steady; No. 2 white 24@24½c; No. 2 mixed 21@22c.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

February 6—Galveston, firm at 7 1-16, net receipts 4,048 bales; Norfolk, quoted at 7, net receipts 1,687 bales; Baltimore, quiet at 7 1-16, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 7 5-16, net receipts 477 bales; Wilmington, firm at 6¾, net receipts 117 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 7 9-16c, net receipts 10 bales; Savannah, steady at 6 13-16, net receipts 2,275 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 6 15-16, net receipts 3,294 bales; Mobile, quiet at 6 13-16, net receipts 885 bales; Memphis, steady at 6 15-16, net receipts 297 bales; Augusta, steady at 7⅛, net receipts 477 bales; Charleston, firm at 6 13-16, net receipts 1,377 bales.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 6.—12.30 P. M.—Cotton quiet and prices favor buyers American middling 3 31-32d. Sales 6,000 bales, of which 5,600 were American; speculation and export 500. Receipts 22,000 bales, of which 15,500 were American. Futures opened quiet and demand moderate. February 3 57-64d; February and March 3 57 66d; March and April 3 58 64d; April and May 3 59-64d; May and June 3 59 64d; June and July 3 60 64d; July and August 3 60 64d; August and September 3 59-64@3 58 64d; November and December 3 48 64d. Futures quiet.

1 P. M.—American middling 3 31 32d. February 3 57-64@3 58 64d seller; February and March 3 57 64@3 58 64d seller; March and April 3 58 64d seller; April and May 3 58 64@3 59 64d seller; May and June 3 59 64@3 60 64d seller; June and July 3 60 64d seller; July and August 3 60 64@3 61-64d seller; August and September 3 58-64@3 59 64 buyer; September and October 3 58-64d seller; October and November 3 48-64@3 49-64d seller; November and December 3 47 64@3 48 64d seller. Futures closed quiet but steady.

MARINE.

CLEARED.

Br schr Dove, 168 tons, Esdale, Grenada, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Stmr Oneida, Chichester, New York, H G Smallbones.

EXPORTS.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK—Stmr Oneida—700 bales cotton, 44,960 feet lumber, 676 casks spirits turpentine, 773 bbls tar, 52 do crude turpentine, 45 do pitch, 105 pkgs mdse.

FOREIGN.

GRENADA—Br schr Dove—87,000 feet lumber, 200,000 shingles.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 7, 1897.

SCHOONERS.

Julia S Bailey, 306 tons, Sprague, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Melissa Trask, 225 tons, Atwood, J T Riley & Co.

Florence A. 148 tons, Strout, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Estelle 389 tons, Hutchinson, Geo Harriss Son & Co.

Wm F Green, 254 tons, Clark, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Schr Sebago, 293 tons, Thompson, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Nellie Floyd 435 tons, Johnstone, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

B I Hazard, 373 tons, Blatchford, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Roger Moore, 312 tons, Miller, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Wm F Campbell, 168 tons, J T Riley & Co.

Marion Hill, 193 tons, Armstrong, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Wm Linthicum, 148 tons, Brannock, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

R A Snow, 165 tons, Pillsbury, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

W C Wickham, 316 tons, Evan, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Ida C Schoolcraft, 306 tons, Booye, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Morancy, 160 tons, Torrey, J T Riley & Co.

BARQUES.

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Did you who sat that night to see
The wizard's hand complete its task
Guess at the face of Tragedy
Which lurked behind the comic mask?
Did you, whose plaudits wild and loud
Mixed fate and laughter in a breath,
Behold the actor as he bowed,
Crown'd with the cypress wreath of death?

Across the footlights of the years
That latest scene shines fresh and bright.
Only the lamps are blurred with tears,
Only the laughter fails tonight—
And, lo! before our startled eyes
Two centuries dwindle to a span,
And other silent plaudits rise
Not for the genius, but the man.

Actor, there gleams above thy tomb
No censer which the church can swing;
No incense, with its dim perfume,
Haunts thy dark rest with dreams of spring.
But surely blessings more divine
Upon that last appearance fell
And, with the latest bravos thine,
Mingled the angels' "It is well."

And, all unwitting, we today
Tread in thy footsteps, Moliere.
We laugh and wonder at the play
Or strut behind the footlights' glare.
The shouts of laughter grow more sparse,
The lamps burn dim, the players flee,
And Death takes up our petty farce
And sobers it to tragedy.
—Nellie K. Blissett in Temple Bar.

WANTED.

"An ugly case," remarked Jim to me confidentially; "a very ugly case indeed!"

The unconscious patient, borne into our surgery upon a stretcher, was frightfully injured. That was evident at a glance.

He was a passenger by a ship just arrived from the Cape, and while preparing to come ashore a heavy box, swung aloft by the vessel's crane, had slipped and fallen on him.

Jim Clifford and I were partners in an east end practice, close to the docks.

His blood soaked clothing bore no marks which could lead to his identification.

No limbs were broken, but the neck and shoulder were fearfully lacerated, and one side of the face was dreadfully mangled. It was not until late the following evening that he seemed to recover his senses, and then of course he was too weak to converse.

Jim was strongly in favor of his removal, as soon as practicable, to the nearest hospital. The sick man must have overheard our conversation, for he signed feebly to my colleague to stoop down.

"Not to the hospital, for heaven's sake!" whispered the poor fellow. "Anywhere but there. Stay here—no friends—soon be better!" he gasped painfully.

Neither of us had the heart to remove our patient against his will, though his stay involved one of us being constantly in the house and the services of a male attendant as well.

Days and weeks slipped by, and, though our patient hovered between life and death more than once, he continued to stay with us and to engross more or less of our attention.

The singular thing was that apparently the patient was without relatives or friends in this country—did not know a soul in London. So he told us, bit by bit, adding that his name was Octave Henry, and that he had been in South Africa for many years. A couple of rude sea chests, sent up from the ship, contained all his belongings.

"I'll tell you what it is," said Jim in his own emphatic way as we sat together in our snuggery one night, "I'll tell you what it is, Fraser, our friend up stairs will slip through our fingers after all if we don't look out. There's brain mischief setting in from some splintered bone, and unless we can do something to remove the brain pressure —well, goodby to his chance of life!"

Our patient willingly gave his consent to the operation, and the whole affair was arranged and carried out within a week.

Recovery from the operation of trepanning is always tardy. In the case of the man Henry, with his already shattered physique, it was more than usually protracted.

One morning I remember well. Clifford and I were by the bedside. The patient, for the time being, had revived sufficiently to show himself conscious of our presence and feebly to sign his wants.

But there was something about the appearance of his eyes that morning which struck me as being unusual, a curious, preoccupied look. When Jim and I had left him to the care of his attendant, I remarked upon this symptom.

"You noticed it, then?" answered Jim moodily. "I thought you would. Ah, but that is only one aspect of the case, not the most serious either!"

Here he broke off abruptly. I waited, without speaking, till he began once more:

"Did you ever study the subject of sense transference?"

I confessed that I had not done so to any great extent.

"It begins to occur to me," continued Jim, "that that is what we have to deal with in the case—nothing more or less. However it has happened, one thing is very plain to me—that the sense of hearing in this case is not absolutely destroyed, but, as I may put it, diverted into the optic region—grafted, as it were, into the sense of sight."

"But is such a thing possible?" I exclaimed anxiously.

"Yes, theoretically it is," returned my partner gravely, "but practically no example of it has yet occurred in the case—that is, of a human being. I can only guess that in the present instance purely accidental causes have led up to it. But the fact remains that, as I have just said, the man now sees—actually sees, remember—that which, in ordinary circumstances, he would have heard."

My colleague's diagnosis proved to be true, as we soon found. Little by little, as consciousness returned, it became painfully evident that the patient's senses had become what I may call, for want of a better word, entangled.

With what startling vividness such sensations thus took bodily shape before him we could only surmise from his excited manner. Sensitive to an extraordinary degree to every breath, every whisper around him, his staring eyeballs too plainly showed how the faculty of vision was exalted, in his case, to a preternatural extent.

"Please, sir," said a maidservant at the door; "please, sir, Dr. Clifford wants you up stairs at once."

Clifford and the attendant were holding down the patient by main force upon the bed. He was struggling to rise, and the expression of his face was one of terror. His eyes seemed as if starting from their sockets.

"Something has induced a violent paroxysm," whispered Jim. "He can't last long if it continues."

The sick man sank back on his pillows. His lips moved. By stooping over him I could catch some of his words.

"They are coming—coming now," he gasped, "ever so far away, but I can see them! Something moves before them —something dark! I can't make it out! Something about to break! Will it save poor Octave? Will it"—

"Visibly worse," said Clifford aside to me, "and the pulse abnormally high. If this goes on, he will be in a high fever before long."

It was a breathless summer evening, but the sky was overcast with murky clouds, foreboding a tempest. The room already grew dark with the shadow of its coming.

Suddenly there was a loud knocking at the front door. Presently I heard voices in conversation, then heavy footsteps began to ascend the stairs.

At that instant a rose colored flash gleamed through the darkness of the room, a terrific peal of thunder followed, its echoes crashing and rolling as if the building were about to fall upon our heads. The sick man sprang convulsively to an almost upright position in his bed, then fell backward—dead!

The door opened. There was a pause, and two plainly dressed men slipped quietly into the room.

"Dr. Clifford, I presume?" inquired the foremost politely.

Jim nodded assent wonderingly.

"I have a very painful duty to perform in respect of your patient here," continued the speaker fumbling a paper as he spoke; "a very painful duty indeed. But the fact is, I hold a warrant for his apprehension under the name of Henry—Octave Henry—on a charge of"—

"My patient," interposed Jim very quietly, "has just obeyed another summons. The man died while you were coming up stairs."

From the explanations which ensued it seemed that our late patient had long been "wanted" by the police on no less a charge than that of murder. Doubtless his unwillingness to be removed to a hospital arose from his persuasion that he was safer from detection in a private dwelling.

Guilty or not guilty of the crime he was accused of, it was long before Jim and I ceased to speak of him. Nor, in turn, had he forgotten us. We were handsomely remembered in the will he had executed before the operation. But we will never again undertake the care of a resident patient.—Answers.

Old English Inns.

A feature essentially English is the cheery inn that overlooks the common. From that upper latticed window the jolly innkeeper of yore would watch the solitary horseman of romance crossing the heath and perhaps hint his opinion of the traveler to the "gentlemen of the road"—the Claude Duvals—who found it convenient to keep on good terms with mine host. But those days are gone, and now we can take our ease at our inn, with its deep bay windows on either side of the entrance, its swinging signpost, its horse trough, pump and outdoor settle. Enter and you will find that the bay window forms a delightful sunny recess with a seat all round. In one instance a branch of a vine from the adjoining greenhouse had been trained into this recess, and round the window bunches of grapes were hanging, some beginning to purple in the warm August sun. The fireplace is often a great, old fashioned one, with seats on either side of the "ingleneuk," right under the chimney, while framed over one of these fireplaces I found the following verse from Sir Matthew Hale:

A Sabbath well spent
Brings a week of content
And health for the toils of the morrow,
But a Sabbath profaned,
Whate'er may be gained,
Is a certain forerunner of sorrow.
—Temple Bar.

Dr. Nansen's Pedigree.

Dr. Fridtjof Nansen's name being now mentioned all over the world, his pedigree has been the subject of recent research. The result is that the earliest of the forbears of the Norwegian navigator of whom there is authentic knowledge was Ewert Nansen, a merchant at Flensburg, in Sleswick-Holstein, who died in 1618. So it is stated in the "Genealogia Nanseniana," which is contained in an important collective work by Christopher Giessing (Copenhagen, 1781). Ewert Nansen's son Hans went with his uncle on a merchant ship to Russia, became afterward interpreter of the Russian language at the court of the king of Denmark and later on a special Danish envoy to the czar. Subsequently, as chairman of the Icelandic Trade society, he made many voyages to Iceland and Russia and wrote in Danish a "Compendium Cosmorraphicum Danicum," which had many editions (1688-46). All the other Nansens are traced from these ancestors, one of the first of whom thus showed already a bent for traveling and for writing on his travels. A clear case of hereditary character, going back to two centuries and a half! Only it is to be hoped that Ibsen will leave the subject alone and not write a drama called "The Man From the Sea."—Pall Mall Gazette.

Cathode Rays Not as Bright as a Candle

Now, one of the first questions I have been asked in regard to these rays is this, "How did you obtain a light so intense that you could take photographs through a board an inch thick?" The answer is this: The light is not intense to the eye. It does not appear as bright as that of a firefly. Indeed it cannot be seen on the darkest night at a distance of 300 feet. Yet a candle can be distinguished on a similar night at least a mile. But the rays of a candle are entirely cut off from a photographic plate by a sheet of pasteboard a sixteenth of an inch thick or even less. The cathode rays are intense, however, to the photographic plate, which can be termed the photographic eye. —Professor John Trowbridge in Scribner's.

Little Mistake Somewhere.

The Bride—I want to thank you so much for that beautiful present.

Her Married Friend—Say no more, my dear; it was a mere trifle.

The Bride—Well, I didn't think so when I gave it to you at your marriage.—Pick Me Up.

A woman should always state her conclusions without giving the reasons by which she arrives at them. The conclusions are often correct; the reasons are commonly laughable.

MARTIAN BEINGS.

It May Be That They Are a Race of Winged High Fliers.

If the attraction of the earth were less powerful, our winged tribes might have received a much greater development. In virtue of the unquestionable principle known as "the struggle for existence," these winged creatures, dominating all others, would have been the strongest. Progress would have been effected along this line. The superior race, the human race, would have been a winged race. These simple considerations, which it would be easy to extend much farther, are enough to convince us that our human form is essentially terrestrial and that the inhabitants of Mars cannot resemble us. They are different.

Upon Mars, for example, one might suppose, without scientific heresy, that the remarkable lightness of their bodies may have developed the winged race more highly in the direction indicated and that the inhabitants of this planet may have received the privilege of flight.

Does this amount to saying that, for this reason, they must necessarily have the form of birds? No. The bats, are they not mammals which suckle their young?

Is it saying, then, that we must imagine them under this form? Not at all. May they not rather be like dragon flies fluttering in the air above the lakes and the canals?

As to this point we can imagine everything and prove nothing. It is even highly probable that the reality is something absolutely different from all our terrestrial conceptions.

On the one hand the lightness of the Martian beings is favorable to their winged constitution. On the other hand, however, the atmosphere is hardly well fitted to sustain them. But still we recall that terrestrial zoology furnishes instances of birds which are very heavy, such as the condors and the vultures, and these are just the ones which fly highest in the most rarefied regions of our atmosphere. They have been observed even above the summits of the Himalayas, the Andes and the cordilleras at elevations of from 8,000 to 9,000 meters (27,000 to 30,000 feet), where they can still soar freely, thanks to the enormous spread of their wings.

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DAILY 9.30 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 7.15 night, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.00 p m, Baltimore 3.25 p m, Washington 4.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 3.30 p m, Weldon 9.43 p m, †Tarboro 6.05 p m, Rocky Mount 5.45 a m, leave Wilson 6.30 a m, Goldsboro 7.03 a m, Warsaw 7.53 a m, Magnolia 8.16 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9 25 a m, Sanford 2.19 p m, Jacksonville 7 00 p m, Savannah 12.45 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 8.50 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 2.00 a m, Augusta 2.45 p m, Denmark 4.35 p m, Sumter 7.13 a m, Florence 8.55 a m, Marion 6.45 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.06 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.48 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.30 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7.55 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.20 a m, Greenville 8.32 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 00a m, Weldon 11.20 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Parmele 8.50 a m and 3.40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9.50 a m and 6.30 p m, arrives Washington 11.35 a m and 7.30 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.30 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.50 a m., Arrive Tarboro, 9.50 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.10 a m; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 9.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield, 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 11.30 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.10 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8.35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 00 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton daily except Sunday at 11.15 a m and 4.10 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.40 a m, and 5.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9.10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9 48 a m, Rowland 10 00 a m, returning leaves Rowland 5.38 p m, arrives Dillon 5.56 p m, Latta 6.09 p m, Pee Dee 6.30 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.00 p m, leave Conway 2 25 p m, Chadbourn 5.30 p m, arrive Hub 6.00 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 43 p m, Manning 7.19 p m, arrive Lane's 7 48 p m, leave Lanes 8.16 a m, Manning 9.05 a m, arrive Sumter 9.50 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 1 a m, 4 p m, arrive Lanes 3.25 a m, 5.35 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 9.05 p m, 11.16 p m, arrive Selma 9.50 p m, Smithfield 2.56 p m, Dunn 3.38 p m, Fayetteville 4.10 p m. 1.10 a m, Rowland 5.38 p m, returning leave Rowland 10.00 a m, Fayetteville 11.30 a m, 10.30 p m, Dunn 12.07 a m, Smithfield 12.48 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.42 p m, 12.10 p m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4 40 a m, Creston 5 21 a m, arrive Denmark 6 30 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 55 p m, Creston 5 47 p m, Sumter 6 40 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9 15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m; arrives Creston 3 50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.16 a m and 7.40 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.45 p m. Returning leave Lucknow 6 05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliot 8.35 a m and 3.30 p m.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON,
Gen'l Passenger Agent.

J. R. KENLY, Gen'l Manager.
T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager. jan 21 tf

W., N. & N. Railway.

In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

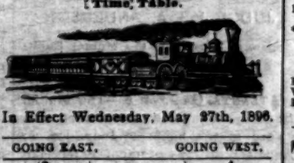
NORTH BOUND		STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND	
*5	*3	—WILMINGTON—	*7	35
A M	P M		P M	P M
3 00		Lv...Mulberry street...Ar	12 40	
3 10		Lv...Surry street...Ar	12 30	8 25
		Ar...Jacksonville...Lv		12 05
8 58		Lv Ar	10 48	10 20
4 30		Lv...Maxville...Lv	10 09	9 15
4 44		Lv...Pollocksville...Lv	9 55	8 50
5 15		Ar...Newbern...Lv	9 20	8 10
P M			A M	

Nos. 5 and 8 mixed trains
Nos. 7 and 8 passenger trains.
Trains 5 and 7 p m make connection with trains on A. & N. C. R. R. for Morehead City and Beaufort.
Connection with Steamer Neuse at Newbern to and from Elizabeth City and Norfolk Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
Steamer Geo D. Purdy makes daily trips between Jacksonville and New River points.
*Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
†Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
‡Daily except Sunday.

H. A. WHITING,
General Manager.
J. W. MARTENIS,
Traffic Manager. my 22 tf

Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad

Time Table.



In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
2 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.		STATIONS.	4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 30	Goldsboro	11 25	.....
.....	4 12	Kinston	10 32	.....
5 15	5 25	Newbern	9 17	9 30
6 27	6 45	Morehead City	8 03	8 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11 25 a m., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. M. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 p. m., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 p. m. No. 1 train also connects with W. N. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 20, 189 .

SOUTH BOUND DAILY	MAIN LINE.	NORTH BOUND DAILY
No. 1.		No. 2.
1 45 p m	Ar...Wilmington...Lv	7 10 a m
4 30 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	11 00 a m
4 15 "	Ar...Fayetteville...Lv	11 31 "
4 13 "	Ar Fayetteville Junc Lv	11 47 "
3 53 "	Lv...Seaford...Ar	12 09 p m
12 43 "	Lv...Climax...Lv	2 55 "
12 15 "	Lv...Greensboro...Ar	3 35 "
11 53 a m	Ar...Greensboro...Lv	3 55 "
11 07 "	Lv...Sicheslade...Lv	4 35 "
"	"	"
10 32 "	Lv...Walnut Cove...Lv	4 56 "
10 04 "	Lv...Rural Hall...Lv	5 26 "
9 40 "	Lv...Mt Airy...Ar	6 00 "

SOUTH BOUND DAILY	Bennetsville Division.	NORTH BOUND DAILY
No. 8.		No. 4.
3 02 p m	Ar...Bennettsville...Lv	8 30 a m
2 17 "	Lv...Maxton...Ar	9 20 "
1 36 "	Lv...Red Springs...Lv	10 18 "
1 45 "	Lv...Hope Mills...Lv	11 01 "
1 25 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	11 19 "

| SOUTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. | Factory and Madison Branches. | NORTH BOUND Daily except

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING. FEB. 7, 1897

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Hope was renewed in the breasts of the bulls by the action of wheat to-day. There was only one weak spot in the market and that was at the opening, and it was due to the Liverpool advices. One quarter of a penny decline took place in the English market, and on that there was an easy opening, but within the first ten minutes all weakness had disappeared, and from that time until the close the direction was upward, quite a flurry being witnessed just previous to the close. May wheat opened from 75⅛ to 75⅜c, advanced to 77⅛c, closing at 77c—1⅛@1⅜c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat firm and 1@1⅛c higher.

Lighter receipts of corn than expected—562 cars—imparted a measure of steadiness to the market for that grain at the opening. Firmness, based on sympathy with wheat, followed; but throughout the trade was rather humdrum. May corn opened at 24⅛@24⅛c, advanced to 24⅜c, closing at 24⅛@24⅜c—⅛c higher than yesterday.

There was nothing new to record regarding oats. The market was purely a sympathetic one, deriving a tone of firmness from the surroundings. May oats closed a shade higher. Cash oats were steady and without change in price.

The market for product might appropriately be styled a steady one, although prices for the different commodities were a trifle irregular. There was very little business and no particular motive for action appeared. The hog market was steady. Near the close the bulge in wheat communicated firmness to provisions. May pork closed 12½c higher, May lard 2½c higher and May ribs 5c higher.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

The Visible Supply of Cotton—Crop in Sight—New York Sun's Review of the Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 4,018,975 bales, of which 3,678,675 are American, against 3,915,501 and 3,431,801 respectively last year. Receipts of cotton this week at all interior towns 51,537 bales. Receipts from the plantations 131,750 bales. Crop in sight 7,063,291 bales.

The *Sun's* says: Spot cotton here was unchanged, with sales of 300 bales for exports and 116 for spinning. Middling uplands 7 5-16c, against 8⅛c last year; New Orleans and Gulf 7 9 16c, against 8⅛c last year.

The trading to-day was dull and featureless and of a local scalping nature. A little selling for local account depressed prices slightly, but owing to the dullness of the speculation the decline was slightly. The Liverpool advices were discouraging, reporting an easier tone and small spot sales, and the continued absence of outside interest was also a depressing factor.

There came into sight during the week 116,134 bales, against 140 450 in the same week last year, making the total in sight 7,063,291 bales, against 5,659 973 at this time last season. Northern spinners have thus far this season 1,137 628 bales, against 1,168 425 in the same time last season. The exports from the ports thus far this season aggregate 4,809,912 bales, against 2,907 776 in the same time last season. The world's total visible supply is now 4,018 975 bales, including 3 678,675 American, against 3,915 501 last year at this time, of which 3 431 801 were American.

JAMES J. CORBETT'S

Advance Agent, E. G. Cooke, Will Visit Walley's Hot Mineral Springs in View of Making Corbett's Headquarters There.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CARSON, NEV., Feb. 6.—E. G. Cooke, James J. Corbett's advance agent, is not favorably impressed with Steamboat Springs as a training place. The roads in the vicinity are rough and unfit for foot travel at this season of the year and the conveniences are not exactly what he expected. Mr. Cooke will visit Walley's Hot Mineral Springs, near Genoa, in Douglass county, to-morrow, and it seems probable that he will make Corbett's headquarters there. Walley's Springs are only fourteen miles distant from Carson and are more happily situated than Steamboat Springs. The arrival of Dan Stuart is anxiously awaited. He will be met at Reno by delegations from that city and Carson and urged to decide upon the location of the battle-ground as quickly as possible.

DEFAULTING CASHIER

Of the First National Bank of Bethlehem, Not Dead, But in Toronto, Canada.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BETHLEHEM, PA., Feb. 6.—The statement given out that the shortage of Cyrus E. Breeder, the defaulting cashier of the First National Bank, is a trifl over $12,000, is confirmed to day by President Myers. Breeder has not committed suicide, as his friends believed, but is in Toronto, Canada. His wife received a letter from him this morning dated Toronto. He says he will never come back. The bank, it is said, will make no effort to bring him back. Contrary to expectations there was no run on the bank to-day.

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NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Febuary 5.—Rosin firm; strained common to good $1 70. Spirits turpentine quiet at 28⅛@29c.

SAVANNAH, February 6.—Spirits turpentine firm at 26⅛c, with sales of 54 casks; receipts 277 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales — barrels; receipts 2,528 barrels.

CHARLESTON, February 6.—Spirits turpentine firm at 25⅜c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales 500 barrels; A, B, C $1 40, D, E $1 45, F $1 45, G $1 50, H $1 65, I $1 75, K $1 80, M $1 85, W G $1 90, W W $2 15.

Several British men of war of the Mediterranean squadron, have been ordered to proceed to Crete at once, in view of the renewal of distubarnces in that island.

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For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

SENATE AND HOUSE.

SPEECH OF SENATOR THURSTON

Designed to Prevent the Sale of the Union Pacific Railroad Occupied the Time of the Senate Yesterday—House Concluded Consideration of the Bill Making Appropriations For the District of Columbia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Another instalment of the speech of Senator Thurston of Nebraska, Republican, on his colleague's resolution designed to prevent the judicial sale of the Union Pacific Railroad property, occupied the time of the Senate up to 2 p. m. to-day. His summary of the case to-day was that if the Government were to become the owner of the Union Pacific line it would have to pay for it in cash, fifty million dollars; to pay fifteen or twenty millions for the terminals, and to forego the twenty-nine millions net, which it could not receive for its claim.

The Nicaragua Canal bill was allowed to go over informally in order to pass bills on the calendar that were unobjected to. Some fifteen were passed. Among them were the following:

Senate bill appropriating $86,000 for the relief of the Mobile Marine Dock Company.

Senate bill conveying to Rafael Segure, of Iberia Parish, La., the United States title to certain lands in that Parish.

Resolution (offered by Mr. Morgan) relating to the capture of the Competitor by a Spanish ship of war. It requests the President to communicate to the Senate all the facts and proceedings. When Senator Cameron's joint resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba was reached, Senator Hill, who was in the chair, remarked facetiously that in the absence of objection, it would be considered as passed. The objection then came; and a motion was made by Mr. Morgan of Alabama, Democrat, to proceed to its consideration, notwithstanding the objection. As that motion, however, was in contravention of the agreement under which the Senate was acting, the motion was withdrawn—Mr. Morgan stating that he would make an effort to get action upon the joint resolution whenever the opportunity offered.

The day's session closed with the delivery of eulogies on the late Representive Cogswell of Massachusetts, who died in May, 1895; and at 5 p. m. the Senate adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House to-day, in Committee of the Whole, concluded consideration of the bill making appropriations for the expenses of the District of Columbia for the year ending June 30, 1898, and then passed it. But few amendments and those unimportant were made in it.

The bill to amend the Wilson tariff act so as to permit the Treasury officials to sell forfeited opium to the highest bidder and not require them to secure the amount of the duty, $10 a pound, was passed.

At 2.45 o'clock the House adjourned.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

A Deal Has Just Been Consummated Whereby Birmingham is to Have a Steel Plant.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA, Feb. 6.—A deal has just been consummated whereby Birmingham is to have a steel plant within six months. Some ten days ago President Caldwell, of the Birmingham Rolling Mill Company, submitted a proposition to the Birmingham capitalists as follows:

The present mill plant is amply able to handle steel billets with only slight alteration of the present machinery, having used steel billets from Fort Payne and Henderson steel plant, of this city. All that is necessary to converters. About $77,000 is needed to purchase converters and make the change needed. The Louisville stockholders of the plant are willing to furnish $35,000, and Birmingham will be required to put up $40,000. The rolling mill company proposes to issue six per cent. preferred cumulative stock to cover the sum contributed. Birmingham having raised all but $3,500 and this being assured, a meeting of the stockholders of the Birmingham Rolling Mill Company has been called to meet in this city March 12th, for the purpose of issuing said stock.

STEAMER THREE FRIENDS

Seized at Jacksonville, Fla., by Collector of Customs, Charged with Piratical Acts—Barque Ohkimson High on the Beach and Cannot be Gotten Off.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Feb. 6.—The steamer Three Friends arrived in port at noon from Jupiter and was immediately seized by the Collector of Customs under instructions from the Secretary of the Treasury. She was taken in custody by the United States Marshal on a charge of piracy, by virtue of a libel filed by the United States District Attorney, alleging that she committed piratical acts on her trip to Cuba last December.

The steamer Dauntless returned to port this morning from Hypoluxo, where she went to assist the Norwegian barque Ohkimson, which went ashore a week ago. The barque is high on the beach and cannot be gotten off. She has been stripped and will prove a total loss.

JUDGE JAS. A. ANDERSON

Appointed Receiver of the Mutual Building and Loan Association of Atlanta, Ga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 6.—The Mutual Building and Loan Association was placed in the hands of Judge Jas. A. Anderson to-day as temporary receiver. The receiver was appointed by Judge John H. Candlis on the application of certain shareholders, who state that the association is insolvent and unable to meet current withdrawals of the stock. The funds of the association are said to be small. It is stated in the petition that the recent decision of Judges in Tennessee and the receiverships of similar associations in that State have weakened confidence in the Southern Mutual, hence its insolvency. The loans are all protected but it will be a long time before some of them mature and in the meantime the suits will eat argely into the revenues.

The Atlantic Coast Line will put on sale tickets at one fare for the round trip between Washington and Charleston, S. C., during the naval manœuvres of the United States fleet, to be on sale from February 10th to 16th inclusive, with final limit February 20th. Parties holding excursion tickets by this line are allowed to stop over at Charleston and afterwards continue their journey to Florida.

Treasury balances: Coin, $128,296,868; currency, $58,074,114.

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WASHINGTON NEWS.

THE BATTLESHIP INDIANA'S RETURN FROM SEA.

Was Not Due to Any Actual Accident, but Precaution on the Part of Her Commander—Hon. G. W. Murray Intends to Protest Against the Counting of the Electoral Vote of South Carolina in Congress Next Wednesday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—In the absence of any detailed information from the battleship Indiana, at the Navy Department this morning, (although a full report had been ordered and naval constructor Stahl had been sent from the Norfolk yard to investigate the matter) it is presumed by the officials that the ship's return from sea was not due to any actual accident, but the excessive precaution on the part of her commanding officers who perhaps cared to run no risks with a $5,000,000 battleship, and a crew of 350 men in their keeping. Capt. Henry C. Taylor, commander of the Indiana, had until last month seen no sea service in six years, his last command having been the old-fashioned frigate Alliance in May, 1894. Since that time he has been on duty where his work was largely theoretical, mostly at the War College, of which he was president. The executive officer of the ship, Lieutenant Commander John A. Rodgers, was also unused to the big top-heavy modern armored vessels. He has been steel inspector at Bethlehem, Pa., for a long time and had not been afloat since 1894. It is believed that when the Indiana, with a rolling record of about thirty-five degrees, got into the long waves off Cape Hatteras, her chief officers became concerned about the stability of the turrets and concluded that the discreet thing to do was to return to the smooth water of Hampton Roads.

Precautions had been taken by the Department to provide against just such an emergency. In addition to the steam turret turning the machinery of the ship and numerous hawsers with windlasses with which Captain Evans, the former commander of the Indiana, once held the guns in a storm, the Navy Department added four huge clamps, held by set screws four inches in diameter, which bound the turrets and barbettes together, and officials of the Department are confident that there is no defect whatever in the Indiana and that her return to port was simply a manifestation of excessive caution on the part of her officers.

The publication of the fact that Hon. G. W. Murray, the colored Representative from the First district of South Carolina, intended to protest against the counting of the electoral vote of that State at the joint meeting of Congress on Wednesday next, engaged the interested attention of Mr. Murray's colleagues, all Democrats, to-day, and several informal conferences were held, at which Senator Tillman was present. After one of these, Mr. Adams said:

"If Mr. McKinley is going to be inaugurated on the 4th of March, the the joint convention is got to count the vote of South Carolina. If the Republican party wants to make an attack on the constitution of the State it must make it on some other ground or in some other manner than by endeavoring to prevent the counting of her vote.

"I wish to go further," he said, "and express my preference for seeing Mr. McKinley President, than to see the Presidential function exercised by Mr. Olney, as it will be after the 4th of March, if the effort is made to debar South Carolina the right to vote. This has been my feeling for a long time past."

Mr. Murray was said to base his proposed protest upon a memorial numerously signed by colored residents of South Carolina, reciting that the constitution of the State violated the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments of the Constitution of the United States, and the law of 1867, providing for the admission of South Carolina into the Union; and that it was invalid because it had not been submitted to the voters of the State for their approval.

Representative J. C. McLaurin, of South Carolina, who has held the office of attorney general of the State, traversed these objections this afternoon to a reporter of the Southern Associated Press. He said: "The constitution of South Carolina is a valid constitution, although not submitted to the people for ratification. It has never been the custom in the State of South Carolina to submit its new constitution to the people for ratification. The only instance in which this rule was varied from was in 1868. In many of the other States their constitutions have not yet been so submitted. The act of the Legislature of South Carolina, calling the Constitutional Convention of 1895, did not require the ratification of its work by the people. Besides, this constitution was at once and ever since, has been recognized by all the departments of the State Government as the organic law of the State."

Discussing the objection that it violated the act of 1867, readmitting the State into the Union, by depriving certain citizens of the right of suffrage, Mr. McLaurin called attention to the fact that the United States Supreme Court had decided, in more than one case, that the States which were parties to the Civil War never lost their Statehood and stand to-day in their original attitude as States of the Union with undiminished right of autonomy and with acknowledged republican forms of government, and, therefore, that the law referred to was not binding.

"So, too," said Mr. McLaurin, "must the objection fall that the constitution is repugnant to the 14th and 15th amendments of the Federal Constitution. The right to vote is not one of the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States within the meaning of the 14th amendment. The 15th amendment does not confer the right of suffrage, but the State alone can confer that right. It simply invests the citizens with the right of exemption from discrimination as to the elective franchise, and that protection is limited by its own express terms to the single discrimination 'on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude.' The provisions of the constitution of South Carolina clearly makes such discrimination; but, on the contrary, by their plain meaning apply to all citizens alike. The specific qualifications for suffrage—first, as the qualification of registration, and, second, as to the required registration itself—are valid and in no wise forbidden. Besides the State of South Carolina, four other States have constitutional requirements of an educational qualification for voting—Iowa, Colorado, Connecticut, Mississippi and Wyoming.

Mr. McLaurin said that the members from his State desired to have it understood distinctly that if the Congress was led into making any contest over the vote of that State, the probabilities were that Mr. McKinley would not be inaugurated President of the United States on the 4th of March.

"If Congress is going into the merits of the vote of South Carolina," he continued, "steps will be taken to see that the votes of Northern States, concerning the validity of which much doubt has been expressed, notably the vote of Ohio, will be investigated before those electoral votes are counted. We have fair elections in South Carolina."

The probabilities seem to be, upon inquiry this afternoon, that the advertised protest will not be made. Mr. Murray expressed great doubt of his ability to get it into shape in time to be effective.

"The memorial," he said, "upon which I will have to base it has not yet been received here, although when I was in South Carolina last week they promised to send it to me Wednesday of this week at the latest. I shall consult with friends in the House and determine upon my course of action after the memorial has been received. My contention is that the result of the election, as shown in the return made to the Vice President, is not an honest expression of the will of the voters of South Carolina."

Senator Hoar, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, declined to express in direct terms, his opinion of the policy of making the proposed protest. The act of February 8, 1887, he said, prescribed very clearly the method of proceeding when objection is made to counting the vote of any State, and although it had never yet been tested, he believed it would work out all right.

Senators Blackburn of Kentucky, Democrat, and Lodge of Massachusetts, Republican, have been appointed by the Vice President as tellers to officiatee next Wednesday, in the counting of the electoral votes.

Replying to a House resolution asking what steps have been taken to collector to procure a settlement of the principal and interest of certain State bonds and stocks now belonging to the United States, Secretary Carlisle transmits a communication from the Attorner General indicating that further legislation by Congress is necessary before the Department can enforce a settlement. The State of Virginia refused payment on her bonds when the demand was made.

CUBA NEWS.

Captain General Weyler Greeted With a Speech by Prominent Citizens of Santa Clara, When He Reached the Outskirts of the City.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, Feb. 6.—When Captain General Weyler reached the outskirts of the city of Santa Clara, where he has arrived, a delegation of prominent residents of this city went out to receive him and presented him with an address. Gen. Weyler received the address, and among other things said: "I am disposed to finish the rebellion at once in the Santa Clara province. Those speaking about reforms must know that the government has promised them and given the subject thorough study, but the establishment of these reforms depend upon the triumph of the Spanish arms."

WARM WIRELETS.

Thomas Doherty & Co., tea merchants, have assigned. Liabilities about $100,000.

Senator Harris' physician says that the Senator has improved steatily for the past twenty-four hours, and is now convalescing.

The Duke of Saxcoburg and Gotha (Duke of Edinburg) has been suffering for several days with a severe attack of influenza, but is now somewhat better.

Mr. M. H. Leonard, supetintendent of the telegraph service of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway, and who was a distinguished member of the National Society of Electrical Engineers and a recognized inventor in electrical lines, died in Richmond yesterday at the Virginia Hospital.

The statement of the associated banks shows the following changes: Reserve decrease $4,068,200; Loans increase $8,747,900. Special decrease $125,100 Legal tenders, decrease $3,075,600. Deposits, increase $5,630,000 Circulation, decrease $124,000. The banks now hold $54,050,467, in excess of the legal requirements.

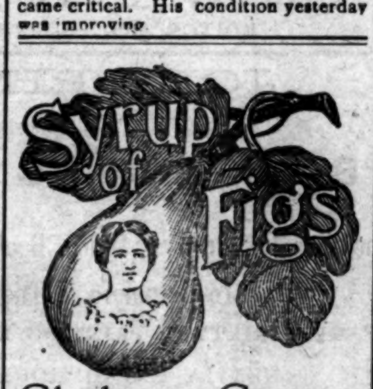
It was announced yesterday that the G F Warner manufactory of New Haven, Conn., would shut down on Monday indefinitely. The firm employs about 100 hands. The company has one of the largest foundries in the State. The managers state that the general business depression is responsible for the shutdown.

A new colony, known as Union City, has just been opened in Cherokee county. The promotors have 90 000 acres of land and they have hundreds of applications for homes. Ex Govoner Northen of Georgia and R. A. Dimick, of Washington, are promiently indenified with the project.

A West Indian storm which has been working up the coast for the last few days arrieved in that city yesterday. The wind came out of the east with strong premonitions of more to come and the rain to fall. By evening the wind had registered a velocity of sixty miles an hour, and the steady downpour of rain had amounted to a little over half an inch.

The United States transport Fern arrieved in Charleston yesterday morning and brings the news that Admiral Bunce will arrive off Charleston to morrow morning with the flagship New York, the Maine, Columbia and Amphitrite. Other ships will arrive to-morrow and Monday. The actual manoeuvres may begin on Momday.

General Joe Shelby, "Fighting Joe," the noted Confederate General and United States Marshal for the Western District of Missouri, is very ill on his farm near Adrian, Mo. He has been suffering some days with pneumonia, which has developed into typho-pneumonia fever, and late Friday night his condition became critical. His condition yesterday was improving.



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ATE TWO QUAILS A DAY.

A Popular Delusion Exploded by Dr. Boyson In a Thirty Day Contest.

"The idea that a man cannot eat a quail a day for 30 days is all bosh," said Dr. Thomas Boyson while discussing fishing and eating feats with several companions the other day. Dr. Boyson is well known as a successful mining man. When not examining leads in the Sierra foothills, he loves to kill time wherever fishing and hunting are reported good. On his various expeditions the doctor has been forced under stress of circumstances to eat everything from toasted grasshoppers to fricassed shoe leather, so Colonel Fletcher Taylor, Dr. Edward H. Woodruff and the other bronzed Capitola salmon trollers wanted to hear all about his experience with the quail a day problem.

"It's queer, too," resumed the doctor, "how firm rooted some sportsmen are in this quail eating theory. Several years ago I was discussing the point in a small shooting party, and one of them promptly offered to wager $300 that no one could eat a quail every day for 30 days. No one was dispesed to take him up. In fact, the half dozen sportsmen seemed to think there was no winning such a bet, and that for some unknown reason a quail a day would turn the gorge of the most steadfast eater before the moon was up. Now, I'm not inordinately fond of quail myself, but I have an unqualified respect for my own will and digestive powers. Besides, as a professional man I dislike exceedingly to leave such simple scientific questions in conditions for idle speculation and wagers. It is so simple to solve them with a trial. So I told the eating prophet I would take his wager, the loser to pay for the quails.

"Then one of his cronies chipped in with the remark: 'You'll never be able to do it. Why, man, alive, it has been tried hundreds of times and bowls out the quail eater every time. The bet is like finding money. I wish I had one like it.'

"'Good!' said I. 'Suppose we make it $300 more. I feel already as if one quail would serve only as an appetizer for the second. Positively I should like a second quail by all means.'

"He promised another quail and another $300.

"Well, I started in on my quails and browsed along easily for nearly a week in spite of the relentless chaffing of my table companions.

"About the sixth day along came a man who said: 'Oh, quails are all right! You may be able to eat a quail a day for 30 days, but squabs are different. You never could eat one squab a day for that time.'

"'You're just the man I'm looking for,' I said. 'All I require now is at least one squab a day to put the finishing relish to my two quails. Believe me, I'm famishing for at least one squab a day.'

"He thought I was bluffing and said something about placing $100 against my ability to eat 30 squabs in as many days. Of course the others edged him on. There was only one thing for me to do. At the next a tempting squab flanked my two quails."

Dr. Woodruff and Colonel Taylor looked at one another and exchanged an almost imperceptible wink.

"Oh, this is a hard, stubborn fact—solemn truth!" protested Dr. Boyson, catching it.

"Remember you're at two quails and a squab now and in the first week of the contest—$700 up," was all Dr. Woodruff vouchsafed.

Dr. Boyson smiled good naturedly at the chaffing and went on: "I kept to that trio of birds for 35 days and might have kept it up longer, but I had exploded the theory to my own satisfaction by that time. No, I never felt any distaste for the birds and got along swimmingly at every stage, or rather meal, of the contest. Maybe at times I might have relished some other dish much better than straight birds, but I never had to force myself to attack my daily brace of quails.

"For breakfast I took a cup of coffee and a roll. I rarely take anything heavier unless I am on a hunting or fishing trip. At noon I picked a quail, flanked by a bottle of light wine, and at dinner I paid my respects to the remaining quail and his brother, the squab. At that meal I was allowed wine, coffee and some assorted fruit.

"That's the reason I say 'Bosh!' when I hear quidnuncs say it is impossible to eat a quail a day for 30 days."—San Francisco Examiner.

Playmates.

Pastor—Do you ever play with bad little boys, Johnny?

Johnny—Yes, sir.

Pastor—I'm surprised, Johnny! Why don't you play with good little boys?

Johnny—Their mammas won't let 'em. —London Tit-Bits.

The Poets.

First Poet—Heard a neat compliment on your stuff about the "Daffodils" yesterday.

Second Poet—Indeed?

"Yes. Fellow asked me if I wrote it."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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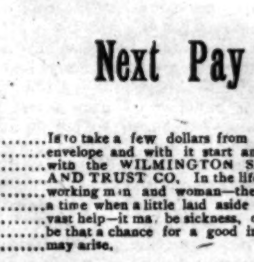

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